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Today's prize in The Times Portfolio competition is £4,000. No one claimed the £2,000 prize yesterday, and no clear favourite to win the £20,000 Saturday prize has yet emerged.

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The Government has offered a concession to try to avert defeat in a crucial Lords debate on local elections today Page 2

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Goals by Platini and Bellone gave France their first major football trophy in the final of the European Championship against Spain in Paris last night.

Secreto sale

Negotiations are under way for the sale of "a substantial part" of Secreto, the Epsom Derby winner. Secreto will not now run in Saturday's Irish Sweeps Derby.

MPs doubtful of EEC summit gains for Britain

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The Prime Minister was given the benefit of the doubt by Conservative MPs yesterday when she claimed a successful culmination at the Fontainebleau summit meeting to her five-year struggle for a permanent reduction in Britain's share of the European Economic Community's costs.

But the doubts were evident. For some Conservatives, and for the whole Labour Party, they are irremovable doubts about the wisdom of her having agreed to increase the Community's resources on any terms.

For most other Conservatives the doubts sprang from the fact that they had not seen any text of what was agreed at Fontainebleau; could not calculate what the rebate formula would be worth; and had been given no idea of what the Council of Ministers will attempt to do to curb Community spending in general and farm spending in particular.

In the fog of Community jargon, the faithful noted that Mrs Margaret Thatcher seemed hugely pleased with what she had agreed, and accepted her claims at her own valuation for the time being.

Mr Neil Kinnock, dismissive and scornful, promised that the Labour Party would oppose with all its strength the proposed increase in the value-added tax ceiling from one per cent to 1.4 per cent, and invited Conservatives with courage to join them.

Mrs Thatcher's best point, as measured by the cheers behind her, was that in spite of the raising of the VAT ceiling for the Community as a whole from 1986, Britain would itself contribute less than it was liable to pay now.

After an hour of questioning it was Mr Kinnock who spotted that this meant no more than that any rebate was better than no rebate.

He had begun by saying that the acid test was whether the Prime Minister could deny that Britain's net contributions would rise; or that the new method for calculating Britain's rebates would produce smaller ones than the previous formula.

She could not deny the first, because of the certainty of inflation. The answer to the second, although Mrs Thatcher disdained to give it, was that the "previous" formula never really existed.

What she did say was that, if Mr Kinnock opposed the Fontainebleau deal, he would be voting for annual net payments by Britain of something like £1,200m under the arrangements which the last Labour Government left in place.

In round terms, the Prime Minister's Office calculates that since the Conservatives came to power in 1979, £2,000m has been received by Britain in rebates from the Community; and that another £1,000m is due to follow from the Fontainebleau bargaining in ad hoc rebates for last year and this.

The new system, guaranteeing an annual rebate of 66 per cent of the difference between Britain's share of VAT and of expenditure, is to come into effect in 1985.

Not all the £1,000m is yet in hand. It partially consists of the 1983 rebate agreed a year ago, which was blocked but has now been unblocked.

The balance of £600m, promised for this year's rebate, depends like everything else, on Parliament agreeing to increase the Community's own resources.

How much latent opposition there may be at Westminster to ratifying the whole Fontainebleau agreement by raising the VAT ceiling was yesterday impossible to judge.

A senior Conservative, Mr Terence Higgins, MP for Worthing, argued that the change should not be made until farm spending was reduced and, once it was reduced, would not be needed.

A new Conservative, Mr Peter Lilley, MP for St Albans, wanted to see an effective system for controlling Community spending in place before resources were increased. Was it wise, he asked Mrs Thatcher, to try to dissuade an alcoholic from drinking by offering him whisky if he would sign the pledge?

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Thatcher blamed for by-election defeat

By Colin Hughes

A private Conservative Party inquest on the Portsmouth South by-election has blamed the Prime Minister's "intractable, domineering, uncaring and strident" image for the embarrassing loss of the seat held by the party since 1918.

A report on a private meeting of the Wessex Provincial Area Executive Committee, leaked yesterday, also calls for the removal of Mr John Gummer. It says the "party needs a chairman who has more time, not an MP".

Mr Frederick Emery-Wallis, Portsmouth South association chairman, is also criticized for failing to support the by-election campaign after Mr Patrick Rock, a London businessman, was selected in preference as the candidate.

The irony of the attack on Mr Gummer is underlined in the report itself, which recognizes his recent decision to "completely restructure" the party to avoid similar defeats.

Mr Emery-Wallis dismisses the attack on his role, saying that he had a pre-booked holiday and was therefore absent during the campaign. Yesterday he added: "I am obviously being got at."

The report describes his attitude as deplorable, and says it was "very regrettable that he did not come out in support".

Local association organization is seen as one cause of defeat. The 20-point report says that eighteen to twenty polling stations had no Conservative tellers, and adds: "We did not take the election seriously enough, we thought we were going to win."

The Executive considered that the local Conservative-controlled council was "unhelpful"; the campaign failed to get under way early enough, and no account was taken of D-Day celebrations in a town strongly influenced by the Royal Navy.

A leak on Portsmouth being a potential target of rate-capping, and the Government's failure to give "categorical assertions" on the future of the naval dockyard also weakened the campaign.

The report, which was leaked to *The News*, Portsmouth's evening newspaper, also lists points made by the area association's chairman, Mrs Joyce Billings, to the party's national mood.

She is reported to have said that the amount of "bumph" coming from Conservative

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Membership of unions lowest for 10 years

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

Membership of TUC-affiliated unions has dropped to just over 10 million, its lowest level for 10 years, according to figures released yesterday. The total went down this year by 434,000, making a drop of two million in the last four years, the TUC said.

The dwindling membership of the movement's second biggest affiliate, the (right-led) Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, means that it will lose one of its four seats on the TUC General Council. Engineering union membership dipped below the crucial one million mark to 943,538.

The total number of affiliated unions has dropped from 102 to 98, largely through mergers. It is the first time that it has gone below 100 since 1879.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said that this year's decline was less than the three preceding years and union members still represented about 50 per cent of the working population.

Union leaders argue that the decline in membership has been caused by high unemployment rather than disaffection with the movement.

● The TUC has protested to the Government over a crucial amendment to the Trade Union Bill, at present going through the House of Lords, which makes it compulsory for trade unions to hold postal ballots for the election of their executives.

Troops tell of Afghan atrocities

By Richard Dowden

Two deserters from the Russian Army described in London yesterday how they were forced to shoot villagers, and kill women and children while serving in Afghanistan and had witnessed the stabbing to death of a 16-year-old Afghan boy.

Mr Igor Rykov, aged 21, and Mr Oleg Khlan, aged 20, said these incidents, and the treatment of Soviet soldiers by their officers, led them to desert.

Both men had served in Afghanistan since 1981 and had been involved in searching villages.

"The officer would decide to have the village searched and if it was found it contained a single bullet, the officer would say: 'This is a bandit village; it must be destroyed.' The men and young boys would be shot and the women and small children would be put in a separate room and killed with grenades," Mr Rykov said.

He had seen five villages of between 100 and 200 people each destroyed in this way in Kandahar province. Many more had been destroyed by air attacks.

Mr Rykov said that in one incident the platoon commander ordered a soldier who, he said, was afraid of blood, to kill a 16-year-old boy with his bayonet. The private stabbed the youth, but failed to kill him; the officer took the weapon and struck a fatal blow.

At yesterday's press conference the two deserters appeared nervous and at times their accounts became confused and inconsistent. Lord Bethell, who chaired the conference, said they had both been on opium and had just spent a week recovering in a clinic.

Mr Rykov said morale in the Soviet army in Afghanistan was low, with a lot of drug-taking. At times they went for two or three days without food, while the officers ate well.

While repairing a vehicle in July last year, the two men decided to desert. Guerrillas took them over the border. They were held for 11 months in a refugee camp.

They have been granted leave to stay in Britain for a year.

Mr Arthur Scargill addressing the miners' rally in Jubilee Gardens yesterday (Photograph: Murray Job).

Miners' rally goes off peacefully

By Robin Young

A march of miners and supporting trade unionists passed off peacefully in London yesterday.

The organizers claimed that 50,000 people had taken part. The police put the number at about 10,000. One miner was arrested and released before the march set out for Tower Hill.

During a speech afterwards, Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, said that in the course of the dispute 3,600 miners had been arrested, and 1,000 injured. "But with the determination and support shown today there is no way that the miners can lose."

Mr Scargill said that the non publication yesterday of three newspapers which refused to print statements from print workers' chapels in support of the miners had "given me the best day's publicity I have ever had."

He suggested that the action should be extended and that print workers should now demand "a right at least once a week for the NUM's case to be published in the national newspapers."

The suggestion was not taken up by Mr Tony Dubbins, general secretary of the National Graphical Association, who spoke immediately after Mr Scargill had received a 30-second ovation.

Mr Scargill called on unions with workers in power stations to stop their members handling coal that was transported in, and gave a warning that on Friday the NUM will meet steel unions and insist that only sufficient coking coal should go into steel works to safeguard equipment.

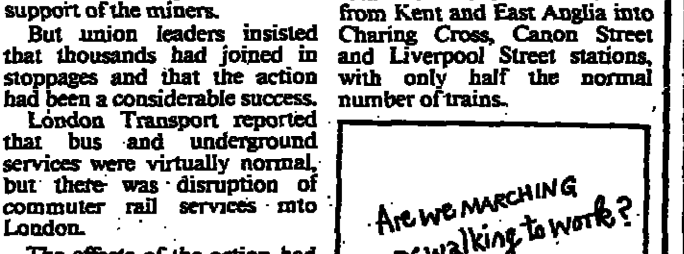
Mr Jack Collins, secretary of Kent area, which has organized the march through the South East Region Trades Union Congress, said that the dispute had now gone beyond the question of pit closures.

"Our demands now are for better wages, shorter hours, early retirement, more recruitment, and a developing industry. Those are the issues now, and we will have some goodwill money too, before we go back."

Mr Collins laid two wreaths, which had been carried at the head of the march, into the River Thames in memory of the two miners who have died on picket lines during the dispute.

Earlier, in High Timber Street, Blackfriars, the march was delayed by a notice placed in an office block saying "Dole Not Coal – Victory to Big Mac."

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Minimal disruption from 'day of action', says CBI

By Our Labour Reporter

Most employees in the South-east went to work yesterday in defiance of a "day of action" in support of the miners.

But union leaders insisted that thousands had joined in stoppages and that the action had been a considerable success.

London Transport reported that bus and underground services were virtually normal, but there was disruption of commuter rail services into London.

The effects of the action had been minimal, Mr David Pennock, chairman of the Confederation of British Industry's London region, said. "There have been a few reports of people being delayed and late for work, but most member companies say they have not been affected at all."

British Rail services in the South-east were patchy, although a spokesman said there were some trains on all major routes. On the southern region into Waterloo, officials hoped that 80 per cent of trains would run. The worst-hit services were from Kent and East Anglia into Charing Cross, Canon Street and Liverpool Street stations, with only half the normal number of trains.



Air raid by Israel on eve of jail swop

From Robert Fisk
Beirut

On the very eve of one of the most dramatic prisoner swaps since the 1973 Middle East War, Israeli jets last night launched bombing raids against an island next to the port of Tripoli, the second largest city in Lebanon, where Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) guerrillas are believed to store arms.

Aircraft flying in three waves approached Tripoli at low level over the sea at dusk and according to initial reports from the city, fired rockets into the harbour area before bombing Rabbit Island, a small outcrop of rock a mile from the port, where a big explosion lit up the evening sky.

No word of casualties had reached Beirut by nightfall, although the Israeli military command in Tel Aviv said that their jets had bombed an island five miles from the coast which was "A PLO base used as a launching point for attacks against Israel." The Israelis did not explain how the island, which is more than 100 miles from Israel, could be described as so strategic a target and Lebanese Government officials last night were speculating that the raid may have been intended to show that the prisoner swap should not be regarded as a sign of weakness on Israel's part.

Up to 300 Syrian troops held captive in Israel since 1983 are expected to be exchanged for just six Israeli prisoners of the Syrians at a road junction on the foothills of the Golan Heights at dawn today after months of prolonged negotiations with both sides by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

All the Syrians and three of the Israelis were captured during the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June, 1982, but another, grimmer cargo of bodies is likely to accompany the prisoners as both sides also exchange their war dead.

Most of the Syrians were taken prisoner during fighting in the mountains around Bhamdoun and in the lower Bekaa valley.

While the projected prisoner exchange might give the impression that the Syrian-Israeli front lines have stabilized in Lebanon, there are still regular exchanges between Syrian and Israeli troops in the Bekaa.

● JERUSALEM: the army spokesman here described the raid as being against "a terrorist naval base" northwest of Tripoli (Christopher Walker writes).

A brief communiqué said the attack took place yesterday afternoon and that all Israeli aircraft returned safely. It claimed that their target was a base for naval training and a base from which the Arafat loyalist branch of the PLO operated.

Surprise bid as oil sale flops

By Jonathan Davis
Financial Correspondent

The Government's privatization plans were thrown into confusion last night when Rio Tinto-Zinc, the international mining group, disclosed that it had made a bid for control of Enterprise Oil. Yesterday's stock market launch of Enterprise, the former state-owned North Sea oil company, proved to be another embarrassing flop for the Government.

RTZ made its announcement after it became clear that investors had rejected the chance to buy shares in Enterprise, a new company which was set up by the Government to take over the former North Sea oil assets of British Gas.

Although no official announcement was made, reliable estimates were that only about two-thirds of the £392m worth of shares on issue had been subscribed for when the offer closed at lunchtime. The rest of the shares were left with the underwriters.

RTZ then announced that it had applied for 49 per cent of Enterprise's share capital, which would normally be enough to give it control over the company.

RTZ said that its decision to buy the shares was in line with its long-established policy of seeking to expand its interests in North Sea oil and gas. The company made an unsuccessful bid to buy British Gas's interest in the Wytch Farm oilfield in Dorset last year when the Government ordered the corporation to sell it to the private sector.

RTZ said that it would be holding talks with Mr Peter Walker, the Secretary of State for Energy, about the implications of its investment. The Department of Energy would not comment on the move last night, although it is clearly one that leaves the Government with a politically awkward decision to make.

Last year, Mr Walker deliberately decided to float Enterprise Oil on the stock market as an independent company rather than sell it off to private sector companies, many of which showed an interest in buying the sizable North Sea assets which Enterprise inherited from British Gas.

RTZ said that it would be also discussing its move with the Takeover Panel, the body that regulates takeover activity in the City. Under the Panel's code of conduct, a company that makes a bid for 49 per cent of another company is normally required to offer the same terms to all the remaining shareholders.

The Government has, however, retained a so-called "golden share" in Enterprise Oil, which allows it to block any unwanted takeover approach for at least the next four years. It was not clear last night whether this "share" would now be activated.

Attendance record at Wimbledon

Wimbledon shut its gates at 4pm yesterday on another record crowd which had ignored the threatened transport strike (Rupert Morris writes). First and second day attendances were more than 8,000 up on last year, and, weather permitting, the final figure for the fortnight seems bound to overtake last year's record of 360,442.

Apart from the sun, which has shone generously on south west London for the past three days, the championships have offered a surprise ingredient: British success. Yesterday there were three notable British triumphs, for John Lloyd, Julie Salmon and Anne Hobbs.

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'Bad apples' blamed for diplomat crimes

By Richard Evans

Señor Alfredo Ricart, doyen of the diplomatic corps, in London, spoke yesterday of the "bad apples" responsible for the recently revealed catalogue of serious crimes committed by envoys.

But the small number of embassies believed to be responsible for the majority of the 546 crimes over the past 10 years should not be named in the interest of good diplomatic relations and to avoid "embarrassment", he said.

"This world is pretty screwed up and good relations between nations should be uppermost in our minds. To bring unnecessary publicity could harm good relations."

He indicated that complaints about lack of compensation from victims of diplomatic crimes would be hard to settle because of the immunity granted to envoys under the Vienna Convention. "Unfortunately, all laws have loopholes and this is one of them."

Señor Ricart has been in London as Ambassador of the Dominican Republic since 1975 and is the longest-serving senior envoy in the capital.

He told *The Times* he would use his influence to improve relations between the diplomatic corps and the local community after disclosure of the crimes and would, if the Foreign Office requested, intervene personally. "If I can be of help I am more than glad to do so. It is up to the Foreign Office to take the initiative."

The Ambassador, who returned to Britain yesterday from negotiations in Geneva, is clearly embarrassed by the furore surrounding the crimes, which include rape, incest and assault, and is certain to make behind the scenes moves to tackle the issue.

"Unfortunately, there are bad apples in every group anywhere in the world, whether it is here or elsewhere. These bad apples might give a bad name to the whole corps, but I hope not.

"It is not only in Britain that this happens, but throughout the world. If you take the number of diplomats existing throughout the world serious incidents are bound to happen.

"I am sure that the diplomatic crime rate is no higher than in any other sphere of society."

Señor Ricart said that he would like to see Mr John Wheeler, Conservative MP for Westminster North, who has tabled a series of Commons questions about crimes, which are due to be answered by the Foreign Office today, to discuss the problem.

"This is a very amiable country. We like it here. I cannot see why we can't have better relations with the local community."

Second vote on cancellation of council polls is offered

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The Government attempted last night to head off the possibility of defeat on its plans to abolish next year's elections to the Greater London Council and the metropolitan county councils by offering a concession in advance of today's crucial committee stage debate in the Lords.

It indicated its acceptance of an amendment tabled by cross-benchers which would have the effect of giving both Houses of Parliament the opportunity to vote again on the cancellation of elections after the main Bill abolishing the councils has been given a second reading in the Commons towards the end of the year.

The unusual step of offering the concession before today's debate indicated the seriousness with which the Government views the risk of defeat on an all-party amendment whose unstated effect would almost certainly be to allow the elections to go ahead.

The Government and the opposition parties have again mounted a heavy "whipping" operation to ensure a big attendance for the vote on the amendment, the first to be taken, which would prevent the elections being cancelled until the main Bill has become law.

The earliest that could occur is thought to be next June or July – two months or so after the elections are due.

The amendment, backed by several Conservatives, would destroy the Government's objectives, for it fears that the elections would be treated as a referendum on the abolition plans and yesterday's concession was clearly an attempt to cream off some Conservative and cross-bench support for it.

As *The Times* reported last Friday, ministers are prepared to go even further if that is the price of getting the Bill through reasonably intact and without a protracted confrontation with the Lords.

Lord Mountgarret, the Conservative peer, has now tabled a amendment whose effect would be to allow the terms of the existing councils to be extended for a few months beyond next April until the main abolition Bill has received the Royal Assent.

That would still mean the cancellation of the elections, the Government's prime aim.

Ministers have indicated that they could accept the Mountgarret amendment, although there is no great enthusiasm for it and they would probably have to be defeated on the issue first.

It is clear, however, that if they are defeated on the main all-party amendment today they will not accept it but attempt to reverse it in the Commons.

Rate caps will 'push up other rates'

By Hugh Clayton
Local Government Correspondent

Rate-capping will help to push up the rates of uncapped councils, Mr Noel Hepworth, director of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, said yesterday.

Mr Hepworth told an institute conference in London, the day after the Bill allowing rate-capping received the Royal Assent, that widespread concern about the mechanics of rate-capping was justified.

His calculations, continued work published in *The Times* this year suggesting that the effects of capping would be much more widespread and complex than ministers had implied.

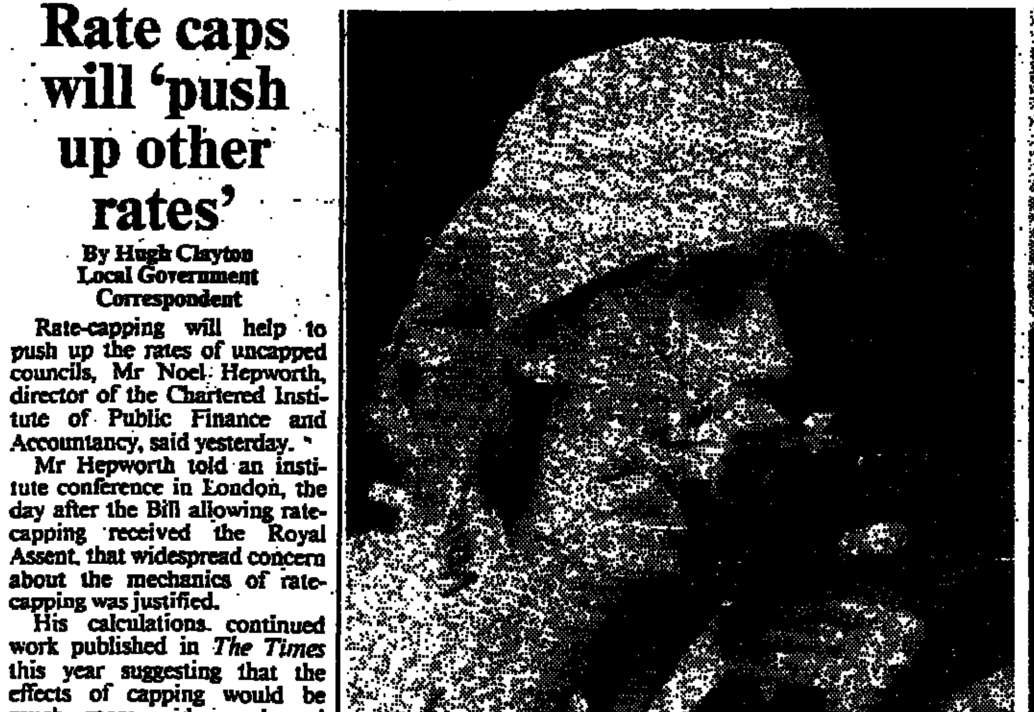
Ministers intend to cap the rates of up to 20 high-spending councils next year. Their spending will be forced down so that the amount of government grant available to them will rise. Grant is taken away as a penalty for overspending.

Any grant won by capped councils will come from the general grant pool, so if low-spending councils lose grants and want to maintain their spending they will need to raise rates.

If capping had begun, the institute calculated, London would have won 14.3 per cent of the grant to English councils, against 13.7 per cent without capping. Shire counties would have won 47.3 per cent of the £8,000m of grant with capping, and 47.7 per cent without.

● The Government disclosed yesterday arrangements for making councils consult businesses about their spending and rates plans. The plans appear in the new Act.

They are meant to redress the imbalance by which businesses that pay high rates cannot vote in council elections while many voters have rate rebates. The Government intends in the summer to tell councils whom they must consult and what information they must give. There will also be a code of guidance about methods of consultation.



On camera: A member of the medical staff photographing the Princess of Wales when she and the Prince of Wales visited the Douglas Arter Centre during a visit to Salisbury yesterday. The couple spent 15 minutes longer than expected at the centre, which provides basic educational facilities for young adults with severe physical and mental handicap. Later they spoke to dozens of patients at the Duke of Cornwall Spinal Treatment Centre, which the Prince of Wales opened, at the Odstock Hospital. Among the patients they met was Paratrooper Ken Yeoman, who broke his back saving the life of a fellow Red Devil.

Attempts to cut visits to doctor have failed

By Nicholas Timmins

People are visiting their doctors more and moves to cut the consultation rate by introducing self-certification of sickness appear to have failed, according to the General Household Survey, published this week. In 1982, 11 per cent of men and 15 per cent of women visited their family doctor in the 14 days before the survey took place, a slight rise on the 1981 figure.

"This increase occurred in spite of the introduction in June, 1982, of self-certification for spells of sickness lasting up to seven days, which might have been expected to remove the need for a visit to the doctor in some cases," the report says.

"The fact that it does not appear to have done so suggests that the need for a medical certificate has been a secondary rather than primary reason for consulting a doctor."

The percentage of patients given a certificate fell, however, by approaching half, while more than three quarters of patients were given a prescription.

The survey's section on housing shows a marked increase over the past decade in amenities such as baths, showers, and inside lavatories. In 1971, 88 per cent of households had sole use of a bath or shower. By 1982, that figure had risen to 97 per cent, with a similar increase for lavatories.

General Household Survey 1982 (Stationery Office, £13.70).

Lord Provost reinstated

After a brief flirtation with a "convener" as head of civic affairs, Edinburgh is to revert to the grander title of Lord Provost (Ronald Faux writes).

The break with tradition had been decreed by the newly elected Labour administration on Edinburgh District Council, which believed that the ancient title was too aloof for the citizens.

The Scottish Office has said that the title "convener" can be used only by the chairman of regional or islands authorities.

The city council had a straight choice of nomenclature, Lord Provost or chairman, and yesterday Mr John McKay, leader of the Labour group and owner of the contentious title, announced that Lord Provost it would be.

Judges in seniority changes

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

A new system of determining seniority among the Lords of Appeal in Ordinary, or law lords, as they are called, is to be brought in as a result of the decision of Lord Diplock to retire as the senior law lord, the Lord Chancellor announced yesterday.

At present, the senior law lord, who sits on the Woolsack in the Lord Chancellor's absence when the House of Lords sits as a judicial body, is the law lord who has been longest appointed.

But this system is "not ideal", Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, said yesterday. Therefore, when Lord Diplock gives up his position as the senior law lord at the summer recess, to become an ordinary law lord, the appointments will be made by the Lord Chancellor.

He said he would be advising the Queen that Lord Diplock should be succeeded by Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, who until then would act as the second senior law lord. Lord Fraser would then be succeeded in that job by Lord Scarman.

The new system, which brings the House of Lords into line with normal practice in other parts of the judicial system, means that the senior law lords is appointed on merit and not just by virtue of length of office.

It will apply not only when the whole House of Lords sits judicially, to give judgements, but to sittings of the appellate and appeal committees (which give leave to appeal and hear appeals) and to the judicial committee os the Privy Council.

● The muddled state of the law on the disclosure of documents in court could remain unclarified now for several more years after a decision by the Lord Chancellor to suspend a committee of inquiry under a High Court judge.

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The miners' strike

Steelmen defy Scargill

From Tim Jones, Llanwern

The steel workers of Llanwern defied Mr Arthur Scargill's call to halt all production yesterday and said they were not prepared to allow the miners to turn their community into an industrial desert.

As the rail blockade on all iron supplies to the plant began to bite, the steelmen said they would use any supplies from any source to maintain the works.

The trade union committee at the plant, representing more than 4,000 workers, believe they are faced with a desperate situation.

One battery of coke ovens at the works has already collapsed and others are in danger. But far more crucial, the blockade is threatening the two huge blast furnaces which are vital for the production of steel.

Mr Peter McKim, committee chairman, said: "Any lengthy disruption could result in the loss of one or both of them. If this were to happen then the future would at the very least, be bleak."

The committee, representing the seven unions at the plant, decided to make public its fears after the collapse of an agreement it had with the South Wales branch of the National Union of Mineworkers to provide enough supplies to maintain the plant in good and safe working order.

Mr John Stephens, the Steel Union Cold Mill representative, said: "Arthur Scargill has called us traitors but he does not realize we have been out collecting for our miner brothers.

"There are people here whose fathers are miners and we are not out to criticize them. But many of us have got children here and we have to care for them.

"I think the miners in South Wales realize this but unfortunately they have been overturned at national level. We have been singled out because we are the easiest to hit."

Mr McKim said that the plant has shed 5,000 men to survive and after that sacrifice they were not prepared to see it die a slow death.

He added that the jobs of at least 6,000 miners at six pits depended on Llanwern. "It is quite wrong for people to assume that Llanwern is dependent on the Welsh coalfield for future supplies."

The plant, which normally receives 27,000 tonnes of coal and coke a week, has been getting only half that amount supplied by lorries from Port Talbot, 50 miles away. To move the 50,000 tonnes of iron ore a week which the plant normally receives by train would require 500 lorries a day.

Yesterday none of the trains scheduled to run into the works would pass the picket line.

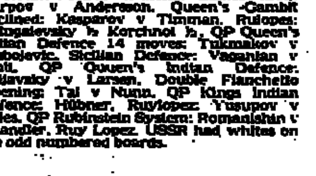
Chess sides rest weaker players

By Harry Golombek
Chess Correspondent

With the Soviet Union leading the Rest of the World 11-9 in Dockland when round 3 commenced yesterday, both sides rested their weakest points. The USSR left out the veteran Smyslov and the much younger but more fallible Sokolov who is in the team largely because he won the Soviet championship a few months ago.

Smyslov was replace by Tukmakov, which must have come as a pleasant change for the Yugoslav Ljubojevic, who was due to play him.

For the Rest of the World Seirawan, who had lost twice to Beljavsky, was replaced by that dashing Danish veteran Bent Larsen, now in his sixty-third year but still playing the same sort of dashing chess with which he enjoyed much success 20 years ago.



Round Three (Russian names first): Karpov v Andersson, Queen's Gambit declined: Kasparov v Timman, Ruilopes: Polugaievsky ½ Korchnoi ½, QP Queen's Indian Defence 14 moves: Tukmakov v Ljubojevic, Sicilian Defence: Vaganian v Ribli, QP Queen's Indian Defence: Beliavsky v Larsen, Double Fianchetto Opening: Tal v Nunn, QP Kings Indian Defence: Hübner, Ruylopez: Yusupov v Miles, QP Rubinstein System: Romanishan v Chandler, Ruy Lopez. USSR had whites on the odd numbered boards.

Heart appeal

Eric Morecambe's widow, Joan, yesterday launched an appeal to raise £1m for research on the early detection of heart disease, fulfilling a promise the comedian had made to St Mary's Hospital in Paddington, London.

Out of uniform

Special constables in Staffordshire have been called on for the first time to wear plain clothes to detect offences such as vandalism and theft.

Stephan's wife flies home

Mrs Carolyn Stephan, the friend of Dr Brian Richards who stands convicted in the United States of plotting to murder her estranged husband, Mr Peter Stephan, flew back to London yesterday.

As she arrived at Heathrow airport from Los Angeles Mrs Stephan said: "I still believe totally in Dr Richards's innocence. I am shocked that my husband did not speak on his behalf. But Dr Richards will have my upmost support in any appeal. There will be another fight and he will certainly win."

Dr Richards, aged 53, faces up to 12 years in jail in the United States after his conviction for attempting to solicit his former partner's murder.

Home again: Mrs Carolyn Stephan flies in from Los Angeles.

Head faced sex assault inquiries

A headmaster found dead with his wrists slashed was facing an investigation into sexual assaults on boy pupils, it was disclosed yesterday at an inquest at Westminster.

Det Constable Lance Edwards, of Hemel Hempstead police, said that five or six boys aged between seven and thirteen had made statements alleging indecent assault by Mr Anthony Wright, a private school owner, aged 45, of Westbrook Hay School, London Road, Hemel Hempstead.

Mr Wright suddenly left the school on May 24and was found dead next day in an hotel bath.

The coroner, Dr Paul Knapman, recorded a verdict that he killed himself.

Friends mourn Webster Booth

Sixty mourners, including show business friends, attended the funeral at Colwyn Bay, north Wales, yesterday of the tenor, Webster Booth.

Melodies made famous by Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth were played.

Pledge for rail unions on coal transport

The National Union of Mineworkers has assured railway unions that when the pit strike is over it will allow coal to be carried from pit heads by rail only. There are fears that the National Coal Board plans to switch transport to road (David Felton writes).

Leaders of the National Union of Railwaymen and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen will also press the steelworker's union to ensure that the bulk of steel freight transport goes to British Rail.

Mr Arthur Scargill, NUM president, has said that the miners will need to repay debts to the transport unions which are blockading steel works.

Mr Jimmy Knapp, NUR general secretary, believes that the coal board and British Rail are discussing switching some coal transport to lorries.

£60,000 shoe fund for miners' children

Doncaster Council, in South Yorkshire, is making up to £60,000 available to buy shoes for the children of striking miners and Labour-controlled Sheffield City Council was under attack yesterday from Conservatives and ratepayers for its decision to donate £100,000 to a fund set up to ease the hardship of miners' families (Craig Seton writes).

The Labour controlled Doncaster Council has used the education Act to establish a scheme for shoe vouchers worth up to £10 each for children whose fathers are on strike.

The council leader, Mr James MacFarlane, said: "The Education Act allows councils to provide clothing for children in need."

Conservatives in Sheffield will ask the district auditor to investigate whether the decision to donate the £100,000 is legal.

Sit-in Kent miners are dismissed

The National Coal Board yesterday dismissed another striking miners, for gross misconduct bringing to 43 the number who have lost their jobs after sit-in protests at collieries (Craig Seton writes).

The men had occupied the control room at Tilmanston Colliery, Kent, for the day. Twenty-nine miners from Betteshanger Colliery, also in Kent, were sacked on Tuesday, together with five striking miners from Whitwell Colliery in Derbyshire.

The Board reported the biggest turnout of miners since the strike began in North Derbyshire.

With about 10,000 miners in north Derbyshire, the drift back to work, although slow, has been growing by the day and 633 men reported for work on three shifts within 24 hours. A spokesman said: "Four weeks ago the figure was barely 200."

MP rebuked for 'smear attempt' on Brittan

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

A Labour MP was strongly rebuked by the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill, yesterday for attempting to smear Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary.

Mr Harry Cohen, MP for Leyton, was stopped short by Mr Weatherill as he began to ask him how to raise in the House reported allegations that "disgruntled and irresponsible MI5 officers have smeared the Home Secretary perhaps for his handling of the Libyan siege, perhaps for anti-semitic reasons".

Mr Cohen, who made his remarks on a point of order in the Commons, was told by the Speaker that he was not prepared to comment on allegations in newspapers and that he had nothing to say on the matter.

After the MP tried several times to pursue the issue, the Speaker said it was reprehensible to seek to smear an MP in the House by means of a point of order, and he ordered Mr Cohen to resume his seat.

Mies tower 'not worthy of architect or London'

By Charles Knevitt, Architecture Correspondent

London and the late Mies van der Rohe both deserve better monuments than the proposed 21-storey, 290ft tower at Mansion House, London, the public inquiry at Guildhall was told yesterday.

Mr Gavin Stamp, the architectural historian, read out a letter from the distinguished American architect, Mr Philip Johnson, who was Mies's principal disciple and the leading propagandist of modern architecture for nearly half a century.

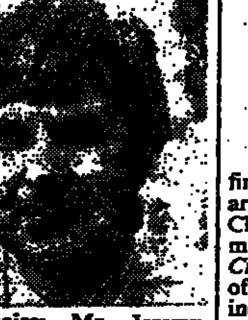
Mr Johnson ws joint architect with Mies of one of New York's most famous skyscrapers, the Seagram Building, before turning to Post-Modernism.

Mr Johnson's letter said: "I consider it a bad idea for one of the greatest architects in the twentieth century to be represented in what may be the greatest city in the twentieth century by a posthumous and unimportant piece of architecture.

"The continent of America is over-represented by these later 'sons of Seagrams' and London surely deserves an original and significant work such as exists today in Berlin.

He also quoted Mies's great contemporary, Le Corbusier, who said: "Culture is a rectangular state of mind". That was not the correct approach for Mansion House.





Opera choice: Mr Jeremy Dixon, aged 45, who has been appointed architect of the £55m second phase development of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, by the board of directors. He was one of four finalists shortlisted last month after an open competition. His entry, one of 122, was submitted in association with Mr William Jack, of Building Design Partnership. A plan will probably be submitted next spring.

Sale room

Fierce bidding for Clark collection

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Sotheby's yesterday held the first of three sales of works of art from the collection of Lord Clark of Saltwood – known to millions as Lord Clark of *Civilization*, after the TV series of that name. A packed room, including Alan Clark, Lord Clark's MP son, and his wife, saw the 76 lots realize £710,270, with only 1 per cent left unsold.

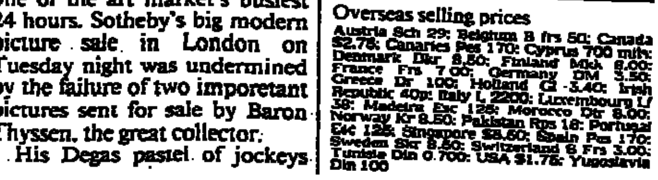
The fiercest bidding was on works by Lord Clark's contemporaries and friends. A powerful portrait by Vanessa Bell, painted in 1958, three years before she died, made an auction price record for the artist at £31,900 (estimate £6,000-£8,000). It was bought by the Charleston Trust, which is in the process of restoring Charleston, the house where Vanessa Bell and Duncan Grant entertained the cream of the Bloomsbury set.

A self portrait by Duncan Grant, painted in 1925, also set a record for the artist at £18,700 (estimate £6,000-£8,000), but was not secured by the Charleston Trust, which could not afford both pictures. A nude by Pasmore entitled "The studio of Ingres" made another record at £59,400 (estimate £60,000-£80,000).

The sale was the climax of one of the art market's busiest 24 hours. Sotheby's big modern picture sale in London on Tuesday night was undermined by the failure of two imporetant pictures sent for sale by Baron Thyssen, the great collector.

His Degas pastel of jockeys was unsold at £1.4m and a Picasso at £600,000. The sale, however, set new auction price records for Joan Miro at £407,000 and Emil Nolde at £346,500.

While the evening sale ended with 48 per cent left unsold the auction of secondary works of the same period held at Sotheby's yesterday morning was only 20 per cent unsold, a significantly better result.



Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 700 mils; Denmark Dkr 8.50; Finland Mkk 8.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.40; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Luxembourg Lf 38; Madeira Esc 125; Morocco Dir 8.00; Norway Kr 8.50; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 125; Singapore $8.60; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 8.50; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 0.700; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 100

Solicitors in insurance compromise

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Master of the Rolls is not to be challenged in court over his refusal to endorse a new negligence insurance scheme for solicitors put forward by the Law Society.

The society has been advised that although the Master of the Rolls' decision could be tested by judicial review, in the circumstances of the present case it is "incapable of successful challenge".

The society's council has also decided that such lengthy litigation would not be in the "best interests of the profession". Instead, it has put forward a compromise formula for an indemnity insurance scheme which the Master of the Rolls has indicated that he would approve.

The new formula, published in *The Law Society's Gazette* yesterday, is aimed at ending the long-running controversy over the scheme, which all solicitors are obliged to join and would take effect from September.

It is based on a firm's gross fees a partner, but with a tapering, so that the more a firm earns the smaller are the extra premiums.

A firm with three partners, with a gross fee income a partner of £54,000, would under the formula pay a premium of 2 per cent on the first £40,000; of 1.9 per cent on the next £10,000; and the final £4,000 a premium of 1.8 per cent, totalling £1,062 a partner, or £3,186 for the firm.

The first formula, rejected by the Master of the Rolls, was put forward by the Law Society to comply with the wishes of the majority of the profession expressed in two ballots.

Many solicitors argued that the old insurance scheme, which was based on the number of partners in a firm and took no account of fee income, penalized small firms.

The compromise formula will benefit larger firms but will not mean that the majority of other firms are significantly better or worse off.

Charter flights price war may bankrupt small tour operators

By Patricia Clough

The cut-price war in the air charter industry, which is giving summer holidaymakers unprecedented bargains, may bring ruin to many small firms, leading operators believe.

Firms accustomed to making £20 or £30 profit on each seat sold are scaling down their margins to £2 or £3, or even selling at a loss to fill half-empty aircraft and recoup some cash.

Between half a million and a million aircraft seats are still believed to be available for the present holiday season. Operators are offering return flights to Majorca for £49, to Faro for £59, and a week's full board with return flights to the Costa Brava or the Costa del Sol for £119.

A similar battle for next winter's holidaymakers is under way. Thomas Cook has announced a 4 per cent reduction on last year's prices for its "winter sun" vacations while Enterprise, owned by British Airways, is offering the same prices as last year.

Mr Harry Goldman, head of Intasun, the second biggest operator after Thomson Holidays, has predicted many bankruptcies this year.

Others have spoken of a repetition of 1974, when similar competition led to the crash of Court Line and Clarksons Holidays, but insiders say that such prophesies should be taken with a pinch of salt.

Mr Gerry Fernback, of Embassy Travel, who is also chairman of Business Travel Agents said: "The industry is more experienced now. I don't honestly think think there could ever be a repetition of 1974.

"But a mumber of medium and smaller firms could go – the ones that do not have the backing from bigger conglomerates like the breweries.

"It is the smaller ones with only 10,000 or 20,000 customers who might find they can't live in the market", Mr George Carroll, managing director (air) of Cosmos, said. "The bigger ones aren't threatened."

The main reason for the competitions is over-capacity. In recent years big travel operators, encouraged by booming business, big profits, and tax incentives, set up their own charter airlines.

Intersun founded Air Europe and Horizon founded Orion Airways. They and the others bought ever bigger aircraft while the smaller, older ones, Mr Carroll says," are still sloshing around on the market".

Even operators without airlines overestimated the increase in the charter holiday market, some by as much as 20 per cent. In fact, experts say, it has increased by between 1 and 5 per cent.

One factor mentioned by several operators is the miners' strike. Miners and people who make their living in mining communities are using their holiday savings for necessities as the *dispute* drags on.

A spokesman for the Association of British Travel Agents (Abta) that the travel indusrty was naturally highly competitive and there was no reason why there should be an epidemic of bankruptcies this year. She emphasized that under Abta guarantees holidaymakers do not suffer if their operator goes bankrupt while they are abroad.

Meanwhile, holidaymakers who take advantage of cheap return charter flights to popular resorts in July and August have been warned to make sure they have accommodation before they leave.

While they have been hesitating or waiting for prices to come *down further the hotels* may have been filled by French, Gernam, or other tourist, Mr *Erich Reich, director of* Thomas Cook Holidays, said.

The danger of having no roof over one's head may be greater than the prospect of a policeman waiting at the airport to turn back charter passengers without accommodation vouchers.

Most countries theoretically insist on accommodation vouchers as a condition of charter flight operations, and recently Greece and Spain have threatened to crack down. But the Spanish authorities appear to have had second thoughts

Centre stage: Dame Anna Neagle, aged 79, celebrating 60 years in show business at a luncheon organized by the Variety Club of Great Britain in London yesterday when the guests included Liz Robertson (left) and Angela Douglas (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Teenagers having intercourse earlier

By Thomson Prentice

Teenagers are having sexual intercourse at an earlier age, but they are not more promiscuous than they were 10 or 20 years ago and they still respect the values of love, fidelity, and marriage, according to a report published today.

Their parents and teachers often have great difficulty in talking to them about sex, and adult society lacks the will to take notice to reduce the hazards associated with teenage pregnancies. Contraceptives should be more widely and easily available, with condoms provided free by family doctors and family planning clinics.

These findings and recommendations are contained in *Teenage Pregnancy in Britain*, published by the Birth Control Trust and funded by the Health Education Council. Its author, Dr Judith Bury, has worked with teenagers for 10 years and her conclusions are drawn from 300 studies of the subject.

"Talking to teenagers about sex does not encourage them to have intercourse", Dr Bury said yesterday, "and we are not encouraging them to have sex at an earlier age. We think it's better for them to wait.

"But we have to face the realities and much more could be done to reduce the incidence of teenage pregnancy and to reduce the hazards for those who do become pregnant."

For many teenagers, sexual encounters are "unsatisfactory and unpleasant experiences" behind the bicycle shed or in the back seat of a car, partly because adult society makes it difficult for teenagers to have intercourse in more reasonable surroundings.

Dr Bury said that she would not advocate teenagers telling their parents they were going upstairs to make love with their partners in their own homes. "But teenagers also need their privacy and behind the bicycle shed or in the back of a car are not the right situations", she said.

The increase in teenage sexual activity is said not to be due to the availability of abortion or the introduction of sex education in schools.

The Birth Control Trust is recommending, on the basis of the report, improved sex education in schools and through health authorities. It calls for wider advertising of contraceptives and more information about the availability of services.

Teenage Pregnancy in Britain (Birth Control Trust, 27-35 Mortimer Street, London W1N 7RJ; £3.50).

Tobacco for chewing – teabag style

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Skoal Bandits – a brand of chewing tobacco dispensed in a slim, one-inch sachet like a teabag – are on the way to Britain's shops, imported by US Tobacco, which in the United States has defied sliding tobacco market trends with its new product.

US Tobacco has been in the tobacco business, including the production of chewing tobacco, since 1822, but packing chewing tobacco in the "teabags" has proved more profitable and attractive to a wider range of people intent on taking nicotine.

Chewing tobacco, teabag style, means a third less tobacco is used, so enhancing profits, Mr Louis Bantle, chairman and president of US Tobacco, says. The Skoal Bandits, which are being backed by television as well as other advertising, lets smooth flavour get out while the tobacco stays in, according to the company's advertising slogan.

Nicotine fanciers are told: "You don't chew it. Just place a pouch between your upper lip and gum." Most users let the tiny pouch roam around the mouth for half and hour on average, Mr Bantle says.

Moves to reinforce religious education

By Colin Hughes

The Government is to resist pressure to relax laws on school worship and religious education, and ministers are to encourage parents to make formal complaints about schools and education authorities that fail to meet their statutory obligations.

Within the past month, two groups of educationists have recommended easing the strict requirement of the Education Act, 1944, which are widely ignored or sidestepped by schools.

Ministers, however, are privately assuring backbench colleagues that there will be no amending legislation. Conservative MPs are also being urged to register formal complaints about schools that do not give religious education to all their pupils, authorities that have no agreed syllabus, and schools that do not hold full religious assemblies every morning.

They have, however, accepted that there is a severe shortage of religious education teachers, a fact they blame on religious education's low status in most schools.

The Government's determination to stand firm will disappoint the National Association of Head Teachers, which recently recommended changing the law so that assemblies of the whole school need be held only once a week, and the religious content left to head teachers and governors. The head teachers also want a wider interpretation of religion, to include teaching on moral values and cultural diversity.

Last week the Association of Christian Teachers suggested that assemblies should be held three times a week.

Though there is public controversy about morning assemblies, it is religious education which causes deepest concern among educationists. Recent studies have shown that up to 40 per cent of secondary schools provide no religious education after the third year; many include it simply as part of the general humanities syllabus, so that it is more easily defined as moral or cultural education.

A strong hint on the Government's stand came in a speech by Mr Robert Dunn, Under-Secretary of State, Education and Science, to Dartford Conservative Assocation last Friday. He called for more teachers to be trained in religious education, saying that it was often the "poor relation"

Harrods murder report

Significant new evidence could lead to someone being charged with murder over the Harrods bombing, Commander Bill Hucklesby, head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorism branch, said yesterday.

"A report is to be sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions this week to see whether sufficient evidence exists for some specific charges to be made relating to the bombing."

He was speaking at Westminster Coroner's Court where inquests were adjourned on six people killed by the blast last December.

Commander Hucklesby said that the charges could be imminent and come after the recent arrest of two men for alleged bombing offences.

"The two men now stand charged with conspiracy to cause explosions in the United Kingdom between October, 1983, and January, 1984. They are also charged with possessing a large amount of terrorist equipment and explosives recovered in Provisional IRA caches in Northamptonshire and Nottinghamshire.

"The arrests resulted in numerous further inquiries to obtain evidence in investigation of the Harrods bomb.

Nursery's baby care 'inadequate'

A jury returned a verdict of death by natural causes aggravated by lack of care yesterday on Betty Surgey, aged three months, who was left outside in February for four hours by nursing staff.

The baby was found dead in the gardens of Camden Borough Council's nursery in Shoot-up Hill, Cricklewood, north London.

Staff said she had been well wrapped in blankets and the temperature was between 34°F and 36°F.

Her mother, Miss Alice Man Pui, a machinist, from Cricklewood, said the baby had just been weaned and was perfectly healthy that morning.

When she called to collect the child from Limster day nursery, staff said there had been a cot death.

Mrs Kim Hevey, a nursing officer, said she made two checks on the baby, but a considerable time passed without her realizing it.

There were staff shortages at the time, the inquest was told.

Two pathologists had disagreed over the cause of death. One said it was cot death and, although there were early signs of pneumonia, it could not have caused death. The other said cot death was the result of pneumonia.

On the second day of the inquest at St Pancras yesterday, the jury made six recommendations.

The council should provide clear cut guidelines for the care of children in nurseries, especialy infants and children under 12 months. That should include record *keeping* and accountability.

The jury said that infants under 12 months should not be left without an experienced and qualified member of staff, irrespective of the staff ratio. Staff should be provided with an opportunity for further training.

Independent and unscheduled inspection should be made at nurseries and the borough should immediately recruit more trained staff in nurseries.

Jury told 'cover-up points to murder'

Michael Telling's cool planning of his wife's death and his elaborate cover-up attempt afterwards made him guilty of murder, a jury at Exeter Crown Court was told yesterday.

Mr Alan Rawley, QC, in his final speech for the prosecution, pointed to "an amazing catalogue" of the gruesome lengths to which Mr Telling went ot avoid detection. He said that Mr Telling told a psychiatrist that the seeds were sown for the killing at Hyde Park Hotel in London, four days before Monika Zumstaq-Telling's death.

On the evening before the killing the time and method were decided. "Despite his mental abnormality, this man determined to kill his wife. He could have prevented himself from doing so if he wished," Mr Rawley said.

"He determined to do so days before he killed her. He then took quite elaborate steps, gruesome steps, which needed a determination and willpower to carry through to avoid detection."

Throughout, Mr Telling behaved in a calm rational manner, he said. As part of the cover-up Mr Teller used his wife's bank Cashpoint card on the evening of the killing, and did so until the account was almost depleted, to give the impression that she was still alive, Mr Rawley added.

"He did not want police to realize quite how much of a smokescreen he had laid down because that would not marry in with a mentally abnormal man whose responsibility was substantially impaired."

Mr Telling paid his wife's outstanding medical bill, and paid a private investigator to look into her "disappearance".

He made the "elaborate pretence" of going on a camping trip when he travelled to Devon to dump the body. He took the head home to avoid identification of the corpse, Mr Rawley added.

Mr Telling, aged 34, of Lambourn House, Radnage Lane, West Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, has denied murder. He has pleaded guilty to manslaughter on the ground of diminished responsibility, but that has not been accepted by the Crown.

Mr George Carman, QC, for the defence, urged the jury not to deliver "one final rejection" of Mr Telling by finding him guilty of murder.

"How can you, if you have anything other than a severely disordered personality, bring back your own child, Matthew, to that very house where the rotting body lay?". Mr Telling was a sick man.

Mr Carman added that a manslaughter verdict would be a true one, not one of sympathy.

He spoke of Mr Telling's disturbed early life and added: "All the money in the world – but nowhere to go and nobody to love. He was the inadequate black sheep of the family."

Today Mr Justice Sheldon will sum up. He will ask the jury to retire tomorrow morning to consider its verdict.

Hope of keeping painting fades

Art lovers fighting to keep in Britain a fourteenth-century Sienese painting of the Crucifixion, attributed to Duccio, have almost given up hope of preventing the work's being acquired by the Getty Museum in California.

The fund to buy the painting for £1.8m for the Manchester City Art Gallery is still nearly £600,000 behind target. The deadline for its rescue expires on July 12. Unless a donor offers a substantial part of the sum in the next few days the paintings move to Califonia seems inevitable.

Police chief calls for tightening of shotgun controls

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Corner shops in the back streets of London have become a target for armed robbers with almost 300 raids since the start of the year, Mr David Powis, deputy assistant commissioner in operational charge of London's CID, said yeaterday.

Speaking to *The Times* in the aftermath of armed robberies that have left three people dead in London this year, two of them in the last fortnight, Mr Powis called for an urgent change in shotgun controls and stronger action by courts against firearms offenders. He spoke of the ease with which criminals obtain handguns from the Continent.

Statistics of armed robberies investigated by the Flying Squad this year show that so far there have been attacks on more than 100 security company vehicles, 70 post offices, 55 banks, 50 building society offices and 50 betting shops.

Sawn-off shotbuns are used in two thirds of armed robberies and yet society seemed "willing to give" guns to the criminal world because of the laxity of controls, Mr Powis said, echoing the view of other senior officers. He felt it was time that sawn-off shotguns were prohibited from normal possession as are machine guns.

At the moment, if a shotgun has its barrel sawn off or cut down it is classified as a firearm, which may be held with a firearm certificate.

Mr Powis added that if the change was made in the law that "would stiffen courts and judges in their action" when they came to sentence armed robbers.

Robbers are now sentenced for offences connected with the robbery, but charges covering the possession of weapons are often left on file for produce, rarely, concurrent sentences.

The police always charge criminals arrested after armed robberies with firearms offences but possession was almost ignored. An additional sentence for the offence might act as a deterrent.

Shotguns were obtained because criminals often used go-betweens to but guns legitimately. Mr Powis said that the law should be changed to limit the number of weapons held on a single certificate. "It is patently ridiculous that you can go and buy five or ten guns. There is no difficulty for a thief to get a gun", he said.

Mr Powis, himself shoots in his spare time.

Retracing Amundsen's polar route

By John Witherow

Dr Monica Kristensen's ambition when she arrives at the South Pole after 82 days in the Antartic wilderness is not, like its discoverer and her fellow countryman, Roald Amundsen, to plant a Norwegian flag. He also left a note for the doomed still-struggling Robert Falcon Scott.

Her aim is much more practical; she intends to have a shower at the small United States base and get an aircraft back to civilization.

Dr Kristensen (right), who is 33, will lead the first expedition to retrace Amundsen's pioneering route of 1911-12 and the first attempt to reach the South Pole overland without mechanized transport since Sir Vivian Fuchs led the Commonwealth trans-Antartic expedition in 1958.

At the same time a two-man British expedition will be fighting through snow drifts on Scott's ill-fated path with the intention this time of getting to the South Pole first. Dr Kristenen, however, does not expect a race.



(Photograph: Bill Warhurst)

Phone box appeal procedure

By Bill Johnstone,
Technology Correspondent

Anyone wishing to prevent the closure of a public telephone kiosk after British Telecom is denationalized on August 6, can refer to the new Office of Telecommunications (OFTEL) or the local authority.

By that date the corporation will have the right to close kiosks that earn less than £185 a year. The local authority would need to make up the shortfall if the kiosk was to be kept after it was for closure. However none can be removed which earn more than the limit.

The details were disclosed on Tuesday with the publication of the operating licence of British Telecom. The revenue threshold is the result of guidelines agreed between British Telecom and the Post Office Users National Council (POUNC), the retiring telecommunications watchdog.

The council, which transfers its monitoring powers on telecommunications to OFTEL from next month, has reflected its fears for the future of the telephone service after the corporation is privatized.

Motorway food poor value, survey reports

Having a meal at a motorway service station is not good value for money, according to most people questioned for a survey published today.

The survey, by Gallup, found that 67 per cent of those polled thought they could get better value elsewhere by turning off a motorway.

Little more than one in three people believe the quality of food and service has improved at motorway eating places, according to the survey, published in the leisure magazine *Out of Town*.

There has been an improvement in the cleanliness of some motorway service areas

Drink, driving and The Pill

The contraceptive pill's effect on blood alcohol levels poses an additional hazard to women who risk drinking and driving, according to Professor Victor Wynn, a specialist at St Mary's Hospital, London.

The alcohol levels may be 30 to 50 per cent higher than normal, Professor Wynn says in the medical magazine *Pulse*. "The metabolism of alcohol varies enormously during the menstrual cycle due to the hormonal effects, and if women take the Pill alcohol levels are even higher."

'Letter bomb loners'

Two brothers accused of a letter bomb campaign against the Prince of Wales, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, seven MPs, and the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament had no connexion with any established terrorist organization, Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Mr Robin Greg, who is defending Patrick Smyth, aged 25, also said that the two men were the only members of the "English Republican Army".

The jury was told that a letter bomb campaign which began in October, 1980, "cut across political lines".

Patrick Smyth, a former Ministry of Defence clerk, from Westgate on Sea, Kent, and Anthony Smyth, aged 27, unemployed, from Ramsgate, Kent, deny conspiring to make explosive devices, and plotting to send them to persons with intent to burn, maim, disfigure, or disable.

Patrick Smyth admitted making letter bombs, but denies 10 charges of sending them with intent to cause bodily harm.

The hearing was adjourned until today.

Survey missed roof fault

A firm of surveyors which failed to notice serious roof defects in a house was ordered by a High Court judge yesterday to pay £32,760 damages to the purchaser of the property.

Estate agents and structural surveyors Ernest W. Gibson and Partners, of High Street, Purley, Surrey, had initially denied negligence, but admitted liability during the trial of the action brought by the buyer, Mrs Abigail Treml.

Mr Justice Popplewell said that Mrs Treml, aged 41, bought her home in Keens Road, Croydon, for £21,000 in August, 1979, after a survey reported no obvious defects

"Unhappily the firm wholly failed to observe defects in the roof and the house was worth less than half of what she paid. The effect of the defects was to cause the roof to spread and the front wall to bulge".

The judge granted the surveyors a stay on payment of £5,940 of the award pending a possible appeal

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Precedence of appeal judges to change

HOUSE OF LORDS

The decision by Lord Diplock to retire as the senior Lord of Appeal but to remain as an ordinary Lord of Appeal has resulted in a review of the arrangements for judicial precedence, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, said in a statement to the House of Lords. The Queen had been notified of the new proposals, he said, and had issued a new Royal Commission to replace that of May 22 1969.

Lord Hailsham, in detailing alterations in the arrangements to be followed at sittings for judicial business, said: the practice was that at sittings in the House itself the Lord Chancellor, if present, presided on the Woolsack. If he was not present, precedence was governed by a Royal Commission issued by Queen Victoria in February 1900, provided that in the absence of the Lord Chancellor, one of the Lords of Appeal in Ordinary was to preside over the hearing of appeals.

It was taken by the senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary present, seniority being reckoned from the date of first appointment.

There has been general agreement (he said) that the changes brought about by my noble predecessor were a very considerable improvement over the previous position. Nevertheless, the position is still not ideal, in that the duty of presiding over sittings of the House or of an Appellate or Appeal Committee is still governed by the order of the appointment of the Lords of Appeal in Ordinary.

Lord Diplock recently told me that he had decided that the time had come for him to cease presiding *as the senior Lord of Appeal, though* I am happy to say that, assuming his health permits him to do so, he intends to continue sitting as an ordinary Lord of Appeal.

He has authorised me to inform your Lordships that he intends this change to take effect when the House rises for the summer recess.

His decision has made it necessary for me to review the current arrangements for judicial precedence.

This has persuaded me that the time has now come to bring the arrangements in the House and in the Appeal and Appellate Committees into line with what is now the normal practice in other parts of the judicial system.

I have therefore advised her Majesty the Queen that it would be appropriate for her in future to appoint the senior and second senior Law Lords who, between them, normally preside over two sittings of committees, or of the House and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept this advice.

She has given effect to it by the *issue today (Tuesday) of a new* Royal Commission to replace that of May 22 1969. The commission provides that, in the absence of the Lord Chancellor for the time being, Lord Diplock or Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, in that order, is to preside.

In the absence of either or both of them precedence among the Lords of Appeal in Ordinary will thereafter continue to be governed, as before, by the date of the first appointment to that office, without regard to rank in the peerage.

The above will continue to be the position until the summer recess. When Lord Diplock then gives up his position as the senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, my present intention is to advise her Majesty that he should be succeeded by Lord Fraser, and that he in turn should be succeeded as the second senior by Lord Scarman.

This of course is confined to the position regarding judicial sittings in the House itself.

But in his view, it followed that the position should be the same in sittings of the Appellate Committee. For this purpose he intended to place on the order paper an amendment to standing orders to achieve this.

In the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, precedence has, since 1969, followed the same rules as in this House. The Lord President of the Council has authorized me to say that he agrees that the time has come for a corresponding change in the Judicial Committee, and that he considers that from now on similar arrangements should be adopted there to those I have described.

I feel I should not let this occasion pass without paying a warm tribute to the contribution that Lord Diplock and his predecessor as senior Law Lord, Lord Wilberforce. It is impossible to exaggerate the contribution each has made to the jurisprudence of the United Kingdom, and, in the Judicial Committee, of the Commonwealth.

Lord Elwyn Jones, a former Lord Chancellor, said he wished to express full agreement with the decisions made. He also paid tribute to Lord Diplock and Lord Wilberforce whose contributions to the law in this country, in the Commonwealth and internationally, could not be exaggerated. They were two of the greatest judges the country had produced.

Lord Diplock, speaking from the cross benches, said he hoped he would not be out of step if he, as the longest serving by many years of the current Law Lords, were to express his full support of the proposals.

He had sat for 23 years in appeal courts both as a member and in presiding over a plurality of judges. That was not the same as producing judgments which clarified and developed the law. The task called for different qualities which might or might not be combined in the same judge.

In the efficient administration of justice in the High Courts in the United Kingdom, seniority ought not to be the sole criteria to preside.

He would retire as presiding Law Lord at the end of July this year but he wished to continue sitting as a non-presiding Law Lord for some time – at least until the next rise in salary. (Laughter).

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on an Opposition motion on the widening gap between rich and poor. Lords (3): Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill, committee, first day.

Kinnock invites Tories to join fight against deal

EEC SUMMIT

In spite of the fact that Britain's contribution to the European Community budget will be increased to 1.4 per cent of value-added tax under the latest arrangements, Britain would contribute less than it was liable to under the present arrangements, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister told the Commons.

Reporting to MPs on the European Council meeting of heads of government in Fontainebleau on Monday and Tuesday, she said that the Government would recommend to the House that the own resources ceiling should be increased from the the present 1 per cent of value-added tax to 1.4 per cent.

She maintained that the arrangement was far better than anything previously on offer. It was good for Britain and good for the Community.

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, said they would use all their strength to fight the proposals and he invited Conservatives who were dissatisified with the arrangements to join that fight.

Mrs Thatcher said: I am glad to tell the House that the European Council reached agreement on a fairer and more soundly based system for the United Kingdom's financial contribution to the Community.

This is a successful culmination of our long and persistent efforts to correct the budget inequity and to put the United Kingdom's refunds on a lasting basis.

The main features of this agreement are, first, that it provides for a refund of about £600m (1,000m ecu) in 1984, with the new system in effect thereafter. Under the new system the UK will get a rebate of 66 per cent of the gap between our share of VAT and our share of expenditure.

This means that, in terms of our marginal net contribution, the UK will be contributing not about 21 per cent as we are liable to do at present but about 7 per cent to new Community expenditure. This agreement is far better than anything previously on offer and far better than the offer of the other nine member states at the last European Council.

Secondly, this system can only be changed by a unanimous decision by all member governments and ratified by their Parliaments. The benefits for the UK will continue unless and until we ourselves agree to change it.

Thirdly, the advantages of the system will be available to us from 1985. We shall have the arbitrary refund of about £600m for the single year 1984 only. This is a substantially better situation for the UK than was on offer earlier.

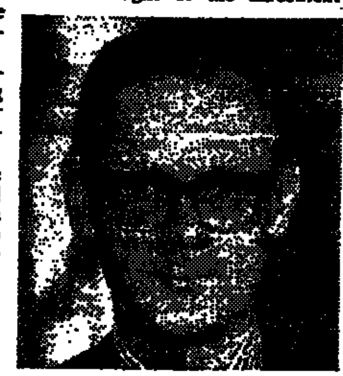
Fourthly, the refunds will be implemented, as we have requested, by reducing the UK's VAT payments to the Community in each successive year.

The House may recall that at the last European Council we reached provisional agreement that measures be taken on budgetary discipline. We considered it essential that the rigorous rules which at present govern budgetary policy in each member state also apply to the budget of the Communities.

We went on to add that the Community should fix at the beginning of the budget procedure the maximum level of expenditure which it considers it must adopt to finance Community policies during the following financial year; and further that net expenditure relating to agricultural markets should increase less than the rate of growth of the own resources base.

Finance ministers are now working on the precise measures to guarantee the effective application of these principles.

In the light of the aarrement



Budgen: What will stop more farm spending?

reached both on the UK refund and the future control of Community spending, the European Council also agreed that the own resources ceiling should be increased to 1.4 per cent of VAT. The Government will be prepared in due course, and when the arrangements are in place on budget discipline, to recommend to the House that the own resources ceiling should be increased to 1.4 per cent of VAT.

However, the net effect of such an increase andf the VAT refunds for *the UK is that, although the ceiling* will be increased to 1.4 per cent for the Community as a whole the UK will itself be contributing less than we are at present liable to contribute under the 1 per cent limit.

It was further agreed that the refund of about £440m (750m ECU) due to the UK in respect of 1983 should now be released. The Council of Ministers yesterday approved the necessary regulations.

It is now for the European Parliament to transfer the funds fom the reserve chapter of the budget. We thus have the assurance of the successful implementation of our refunds for 1983 (£440m) 1984 (£600m) and for future years, for as long as the 1.4 per cent VAT ceiling lasts.

Mr Kinnock: First let me record our disappointment that yet another summit has passed with apparently no significant reference to the need for expanding employment and developing the British and European economies.

That clearly should be at the top of ant agenda for a European Conuncil and I hope, and so do many others, that it will be.

The acid test of whether the Prime Minister obtained a good and just deal for Britian will be the answers to the following questions:

Can she deny that Britian's net contributions will rise as a result of the deal accepted at Fountainebleau?

Can she deny that the new method of calculating rebates which she has accepted will produce smaller rebates for Britain than by the previous formula.

At Fountainebleau she agreed to 40 per cent increase in VAT contributions to the Common Market. Can she confirm that the Government's public expenditure plans make no provision for that in the period beginning 1986 and will she therefore tell us where that extra 40 per cent of contributions is to come from?

Will she be raising the rate of VAT or extending the base of VAT or making extra public expendidture cuts in welfare services, or a combination of all three?

She has repeatedly promised that agricultural expenditure will be brought under effective control.

Can she deny that no progress was made at the summit to achieve that objective and to prevent agriculture this year from breaking the budget by 20 per cent or as much as £2,000m?

Will she accept from me, as she will be told by others, that there is no justification for increasing VAT own resources contribution by financing higher food mountains and the destruction of food stocks or to subsidize Soviet shoppers?

On returning from Brussels on March 31, Mrs Thatcher had said she had made plain that neither the Government nor the British Parliament could accept the package then on offer. Three months later she had swallowed, hook, line and sinker, such arrangements.

We shall oppose the rise in contributions with all our strength and we invite any Conservative MP with the courage to join us.

Mrs Thatcher: I note what he says now, but I note what he said when we returned from Brussels Council, when he went to see President Mitterrand and what he is reported to have said after that. "Mrs Thatcher had better enjoy the sunshine at Fontainebleau because I do not think she is going to enjoy a helluva lot else. She is not coming away with £400m. That I do know." (Conservative laughter.)

I do not think I can take much notice of his comments. I made perfectly clear in my statement that net contributions under the new VAT ceiling will be less than we would have been liable to pay under the old ceiling.

Labour MPs: Liable.

Mrs Thatcher: If he is going to vote against the new arrangements he will be voting for an annual payment of something like £1,200m in the renegotiated arrangements which his Government negotiated with the Community.

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C): Cannot we refuse an increase on own resources until after CAP is reformed and agricultural spending reduced? If agricultural expenditure is reduced, what need is there for an increase in own resources?

Mrs Thatcher: We have embarked upon the first steps in trying to reduce surpluses. There have been painful first steps for the farmers. Nevertheless they understand the need for them.

We shall have to continue, sometimes with other products, to reduce surpluses otherwise we will not get down the vast proportion of expenditure that goes on in agriculture.

If we did as Mr Higgins has said, we should not have got the 1,000m ecu refund for 1984, that is £600m. It would have been difficult to get the £440m en bloc and we should in 1985 and 1986 have been paying to the Community between £1,200m and £1,500m.

Mr David Steel, leader of Liberal Party: Will Mrs Thatcher confirm that to reach this agreement, she reduced her demand for a rebate for next year from £750m to £600m, something she gave no inkling of during the recent European elections?

Mrs Thatcher: At the moment there is no system, there is no formula. The formula as for the first two of a three year agreement. It operated for 1981 and 1982. It operated rather better than the Community had expected when they agreed to it and so for 1982 we had to arrange an ad hoc refund. For 1983 we had to do the same, and they ae on a falling basis.

So for 1984 we got an increased basis once again. For 1983 it was 750m ecu and for 1984 it is 1,000m ecu. So we are on a rising basis once again. For 1985 these refunds will come out of the system which starts on January 1 1986. The system is such that you get your refund from the previous year out of income in the following year.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon (Hexham, C): I congratulate her on the tenacity which has led to an agreement she has been able to describe as good for Britain and good or Europe.

The agreement clears the way to the implementation of policies set out in the Stuttgart declaration, policies which the Opposition are often demanding but which they are never prepared to pay for.

Mrs Thatcher: That is true. We were not able to go ahead with the policies agreed in the Stuttgart declaration, many new policies including opening up the Community to services which is very much needed.

Even Opposition MPs have written to me about the need for expenditure in the Community budget for Esprit. These things will now be able to go ahead.

Mr Robert Sheldon (Ashton-under-Lyne, Lab): Even more important than the exact fraction of the levy with which Mrs Thatcher return from Fontainebleau is the need she had to withhold her consent at an historic moment for an increase in own resources. This was a once-and-for-all opportunity. She did not make use of it.

Mrs Thatcher: If we had not made use of it, we would not have got the agreement for rebates which we secured. We would have been left without any right to refunds whatsoever and we should have to pay the fully liable amount under the VAT contribution. This year that would have amounted to some £1,200m and next year a similar amount, possibly up to £1,500m. Mr Sheldon may face that with equanimity. I did not.

Mr Norman St John-Stevas (Chelmsford, C): Most fair minded people whose judgment is not affected by anti-Europeanism will agree that the compromise she reached at Fontainebleau is reasonable taking full account both of the British and European interests.

Now that this problem is fortunately out of the way what plans has the Government for meeting jointly the technological challenges presented by Japan and the United States and for setting up a genuine common market in financial services and foreign policy initiatives.?

Mrs Thatcher: We did discuss matters such as Esprit and Airbus. I agree it is most important that we should regain the technological initiative in electoronics which has to some extent passed to the US and Japan.

Mr Roy Jenkins (Glasgow, Hillhead, SDP): Looking back on this five year saga, has she considered that the Italian Government, which was confronted with almost the same scale of budgetary problem in 1978, managed to resolve it so much more quietly, completely and permanently?

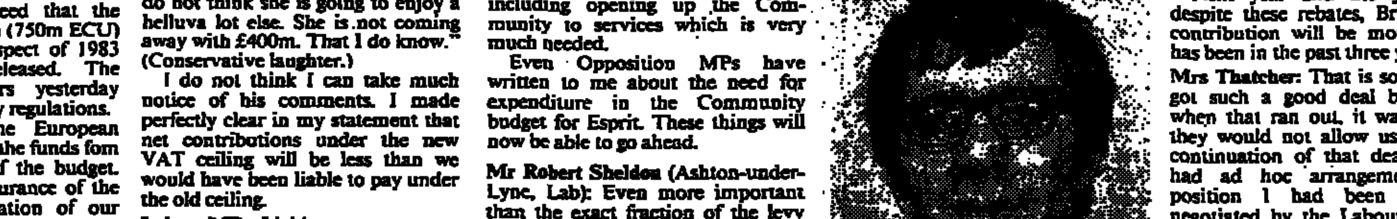
Mrs Thatcher: The Italians got an enormous positive benefit from being in the Community and never really had to battle about a net contribution. They had a net contribution only in one year, 1978. It was 330m ecu, so it was small. That was the year they joined us in our request.

Mr Jenkins was one of those who said I should have accepted the previous deal, although it was much worse than this.

Sir Anthony Kershaw (Stroud, C): This agreement could not have been obtained except by a Government known to be strong in its commitment to Europe and strong in its defence of British interests.

The country is lucky to have a Prime Minister who fights and gets an agreement at the end of the day.

Mrs Thatcher: We would not have got this agreement unless it



Straw: Humiliating failure for Britain

had been known that we were pro-European and that Britain makes considerable contributions to the life of the Community and believes it right to be in the Community.

Sir Peter Blaker (Blackpool South, C) said the Prime Minister would have overwhelming support in her determination to secure a more complete common market, especially in the service industries.

Mrs Thatcher said the aim of achieving a common market in services came before the aim of a common agricultural policy in the treaty. It was one part of the treaty that people had been slow to implement. Britain excelled in services and would continue trying to get a common market in services.

Mr Nicholas Budgen (Wolverhampton South West, C): The EEC only began to reduce expenditure on agricultrue when it realized it was running out of money. If more funds are given to it, what discipline will there be to prevent a yet further rise in agricultrual expenditure?

Mrs Thatcher said more members of the EEC were becoming net contributors and that was the best possible discipline. There were also farmers in every country who having had unlimited amounts available for guaranteed prices were finding it difficult to adapt to the new system.

Mr Antony Marlow (Northamptonshire North, C): As an increase in own resources to 1.4 per cent would give the Community control over an additional £700m of UK taxpayers' money on top of our higher net contribution to what extent and in what areas Community policies replace UK policies?

Mrs Thatcher: The amount we shall be paying after refunds under the 1.4 per cent VAT is less than the amount we are liable to pay now on our 1 per cent. We should be paying £1,200m this year and £1,200m next year and that is less than we shall be paying.

We would like to see a greater proportion of the budget spent on the regional and social funds.

Mr Jack Straw (Blackburn, Lab): Against the target she set four-and-a-half years ago this is a humiliating failure for Britain. The only flag she waved for Britain was not the Union Jack but the white flag of surrender.

Despite the sabre-rattling, net contributions in the last five years are £100m more per year in real terms than under the last Labour Government.

Next year and the year after, despite these rebates, Britain's net contribution will be more than it has been in the past three years?

Mrs Thatcher: That is so because I got such a good deal before and when that ran out, it was so good they would not allow us a further continuation of that deal and we had ad hoc arrangements. The position I had been left was negotiated by the Labour Government.

Mr Kinnock: Is she not asking us to accept that any rebate is better than no rebate, regardless of the attached conditions. If she is saying that the rebates will be smaller because, in her words, the other members would not allow anything else, how can she seriously ask us to vote for higher VAT contributions in return for a worse deal

Mrs Thatcher: No. It is because I would not, that we have taken this long to negotiate. That is why we went on rejecting and rejecting, until we got a fair deal.

Commentary

Geoffrey Smith

The Prime Minister was given a relatively easy ride when she reported on the Fontainebleau settlement to the House of Commons yesterday. Yet if there were to be a free vote in the House, with no *pressure on individual MPs* and no wider considerations, there would probably be a majority against increasing the Community's own resources.

Despite the public congratulations, Mrs Thatcher is widely believed, not only on the Opposition benches, to have struck rather a poor bargain.

But there will be a free vote. The Conservative whips can be expected to do whatever arm-twisting is necessary, and the consequences of rejecting Mrs Thatcher's package would be grave for Conservatives. The damage to the Government and to the Prime Minister's personal prestige would be very considerable.

It would precipitate a crisis in the Community, with no assurance that Mrs Thatcher would be able to go back and get a better deal. Nor could it be assumed that the consequences could be confined to the operations of the Community.

A serious deterioration in relations between Britain and the other major countries of Western Europe might well have repercussions on the Western Alliance at a difficult time.

So the Government seems certain to get its majority when the matter comes to a vote, which is not expected to be before the summer recess. The delay should be an additional help to ministers.

It is not easy to sustain public interest in European Community affairs over a period of time, and a sense of weary acceptance may well develop over the coming months. It might be different if the Conservative Party conference were very critical, but one should never underestimate the capacity of Conservative Party managers to control their conference.

Fortunate timing of EEC deal

The Government has altogether been fortunate in the timing of this settlement. With the European elections, the local government elections and the latest clutch of by-elections out of the way, it is just about as good a time as could be found to suffer a little embarrassment.

There were signs during the questioning of the Prime Minister yesterday that a good many Conservative MPs have decided to make the best of an agreement they cannot change. Whatever their private doubts, they did not seem to believe that it would be worth giving Labour the encouragement of airing their misgivings in public.

The Conservative instinct to close ranks at difficult moments was once again in evidence.

Yet criticisms were expressed from the Conservative benches and there is a good deal more unease among Conservative members than might have been gleaned from these public exchanges. It does not come only from those who would like this country to withdraw from the Community. They remain no more than a small minority in the Conservative ranks.

But there are also those who approve of British membership in principle, yet are disappointed at the practical consequences up to now and believe that the Government should exercise all its power to control Community expenditure, even at the price of continued difficulties with our European partners.

Thatcher uses up some credit

This category cuts across the familiar divisions between wets and drys or left and right in the party. Such views are held by quite a number among the new intake of Conservative members.

Their doubts about the Fontainebleau settlement are practical, not doctrinaire. For that reason most of them seem unlikely to press their critism to the ultimate point wher they might risk defeating the Government.

Yet misgivings that are suppressed are not misgivings that are eliminated. Mrs Thatcher gave a forceful performance at the dispatch box yesterday. She did not sound like a leader who was herself in doubt.

She has survived the first parliamentary skirmish over Fontainebleau and she can be expected to win whatever parliamentary battles lie ahead. But she will spend some accumulated political credit in mobilizing doubters in the division lobbies when the time comes.

Howe firm: Sovereignty not negotiable

ARGENTINE

The Government was ready to talk to Argentina about restoring normal relationships but such talks could not include any discussion of sovereignty over the Falkland Islands and the talks might be jeopardized if the exclusion of sovereignty discussions was not made plain, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said in the Commons.

Sir Geoffrey Howe said: As we have often made clear, we are ready for official talks with the Argentine government on the normalization of our relations. Such talks cannot include discussion of sovereignty over the Falklands.

The preparatory exchanges which we initiated through the protecting powers are continuing. Their details must remain confidential.

Our aim in the talks will be to make progress on a range of practical questions, but it will be difficult to restore full diplomatic relations until the Argentines have formally declared a cessation of hostilities.

Mr Thomas Clarke (Monklands West, Lab): For how long is the "Fortress Falklands" policy to continue, given the enormous drain on our resources, not least in defence?

In view of the new regime in Argentina, will he not accept that the Government ought to be big enough to restore normal diplomatic relations in its fullest sense?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: There is no question of any "Fortress Falklands" policy. The airfield had been constructed substantially to meet the recommendations of Lord Shackleton, for strong development; its role in facilitating rapid reinforcement is secondary.

There is no question of negotiation about sovereignty. Agains a new democratic government was elected we made plain our intention to try to move towards the establishment of normal diplomatic relations.

Mr Bowen Wells (Hertford and Stortford, C): The undertaking he has reiterated today not to discuss soverignty at all with the Argentines makes it impossible for the Argentines to negotiate any of the other issues he has outlined.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: It is because the Government takes the plain view that to embark on dscussions on sovereignty in these talks or in any other way, would not be helpful to the objective he has in mind.

If he is interested in progress towards restoring more normal relations, these talks should not be directed to the question of sovereignty but should concentrate on the many other areas on which it is possible to rebuild confidence between the two countries.

Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark (Birmingham, Selly Oak, C): The visit of two foolish MPs to Argentina may well lead the Argentine government to think we are willing to negotiate although we are still nominally at war.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The presence of some of our colleagues in the Argentine arises at the invitation of the Argentine senate. They are not officially inspired, nor are they intermediaries. My answers represent policy.

Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs: Military spending on the "Fortress Falklands" policy is costing £2m a year for every family of islanders and imposing a serious strain on our armed services.

It is long past the time when the Government should have restored normal diplomatic relations. He ought to negotiate about all the outstanding issues.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: I cannot share his view. Once the airfield has been completed, it should be possible to reduce the levels of permanently stationed forces on the islands and the airfield will remain available for developmental value.

Of course we wish to establish the framework within which talks can take place with a view to restoring normal relationships, but that is a matter which has to be handled very carefully and it would be quite wrong to jeopardize that by not makig plain that sovereignty is excluded from discussion.

Labour MP rebuked

A Labour MP who sought to raise reported allegations of disgruntled and irresponsible MI5 officers trying to smear the Home Secretary was prevented by the Speaker, (Mr Bernard Weatherill), who told him that it was reprehensible to seek to smear an MP by a point of order.

Mr Harry Cohen (Leyton, Lab), on a point of order, first asked the Speaker how he could raise an important matter in the House – the reported allegations that disgruntled and irresponsible MI5 officers had smeared the Home Secretary, perhaps for his handling of the Libyan siege and perhaps for anti-semitic reasons.

The Speaker: Nothing arising out of this can possibly be a point of order for me. It is not appropriate to comment on an allegation in the newspapers.

Mr Cohen: There are restrictions on raising matters in relation to MI5 and I would like you to take this away, after I have made my case, and consider it.

The Speaker: He is seeking to quote or draw to my attention an allegation in a newspaper. It has nothing to do with me and I have nothing to say on the matter.

Mr Cohen: It is not for you to rule on the allegation but to rule how I may raise it in this House.

The Speaker: I am not prepared to guide Mr Cohen how to raise any matter.

Later however Mr Cohen again sought to raise the matter, and the Speaker said: It is reprehensible to seek to smear an MP in this House by a point of order.

Mr Cohen: That is a smear in itself.

***The Speaker:** I must ask Mr Cohe to* resume his seat.

Mr Cohen: At least hear me out.

The Speaker then called the next business.

Bill to reform electoral law next session

The Government expected to introduce legislation early next session on changes in electoral law, so that these could come into effect for any general election held on or after February 16, 1987, when the 1987-88 register of electors come into force, **Mr Leon Brittan** the Home Secretary said when hge opened a debate on a Commons Home Affairs Select Committee report on the Representation of the People Act.

For the first time, British citizens not resident in the UK on the qualifying date but who had been registered as electors within the previous seven years would be eligible to vote at parliamentary and European elections.

The select committee unanimously recommended that the Parliamentary election deposit should be increased to £1,000. It also recommended the threshold of votes required before the deposit was refunded should be reduced to 7½ per cent.

The Government White Paper accepted the £1,000 recommendation, but in order to ease matter for minority parties favoured a threshold of 5 per cent. Raising the deposit to a sensible level would ensure that standing for Parliament became a matter which had to be thought seriously about – not a prank entered upon after a whip-round.

The precise figure of the deposit was bound to some extent to be arbitary and a matter of judgment. He would be listening carefully to the views expressed in the debate

Centenary present for Lord Shinwell?

NEW CEILING

The unveiling of the refurbished ceiling of the House of Lords, work on which is on schedule and below budget, might be timed to coincide with the 100th birthday celebrations of Lord Shinwell, **Lord Skelmersdale**, a Government spokesman, indicated during question time in the House of Lords.

Answering **Lady Sharples** (C) who had asked for a progress report on the work, Lord Skelmersdale said: The restoration of the ceiling of this chamber has progressed according to plan during the last year and is now nearing completion. Work on refixing the original painted panels and timber carvings and to redecorate the ceiling, should be completed by next month.

All that remains to be done is the cleaning and restoration of the painted stone wall arches and removal of the scaffolding deck. This will take place during the summer recess. By the time the House returns in the autumn, the ceiling should be visible in all its glory.

Lady Sharples: Can he confirm that the final cost will be within the budget mentioned three years ago? One of the problems of the new ceiling will be that there will be a contrast between the ceiling and the throne which will appear quite dull.

Lord Skelmersdale: It should be finished and complete according to the timetable of three years ago and well within the original estimate. In fact, it will be slightly less than the £1.5m.

I realize the redecoration of the ceiling may highlight the need to redecorate some or all of the rest of the chamber. This will be undertaken as and when resources and time permit. Refurbishment of the throne canopy is to be put in hand shortly.

Lord Mowbray Segrave and Stourton (C): The Magna Carta barons are in need of refurbishment. The dullness of the gilt will contrast with the new ceiling.

Lord Skelmersdale: The Magna Carta barons are to be washed so that the gilt becomes more obvious but it is not intended at the moment they should be regilded.

Lord Skelmersdale: The need is that it should not fall down anywhere.

Lord John-Mackie (Lab): Would it not be a nice gesture if the centenary celebrations of Lord Shinwell in October could be held at the same time as the ceiling is unveiled?

Lord Skelmersdale: Arrangements for a small celebration on the reopening of the ceiling are in hand at the moment and I bear in mind the magic date of October 18.

Missing link

Asked when work would start on the M20 link between Hollingbourne and Ashford in Kent, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State for Transport, said she hoped that advance bridge works could start next year, and that subject to satisfactory progress with the statutory procedures, the main contract could start in 1987.

Bill to curb sexual abuse of children

A Bill designed to protect children from adults seeking sexual relationships with them was given a formal first reading in the Commons, after a Labour MP had said the Bill would do nothing of the kind.

Mr Geoffrey Dickens (Littleborough and Saddleworth, C), seeking leave to present the Bill, said it was difficult to understand that in their midst were evil adults obsessed by the desire to have sexual relationships with innocent children.

It was sickening that many of them formed themselves into groups for ease of communication, to advertise, recruit, and contact. They produced disgusting publications.

The Bill would make it an offence to be a member of organization like the paedophile information exchange. Adults in every walk of life from the highest in the land to misfits in society were involving themselves in paedophilia.

Ms Clare Short (Birmingham, Ladywood, Lab) said the Bill was before the House to seek publicity for Mr Dickens.

Royal Assent

Royal Assent was signified to the following Acts: Somerset House; Public Health (Control of Disease); Registered Homes; Dentists; Betting Gaming and Lotteries (Amendment) (No. 2); Inshore Fishing (Scotland); Road Traffic Regualtion; County Courts; Housing and Building Control; Food; Rating and Valuation (Amendment) (Scotland); London Regional Transport; Rates; Barclays Bank.

Heseltine's softer arms line

By Rodney Cowton
Defence Correspondent

Greater realism in the West's approach to arms control and dialogue with the Soviet Union was called for yesterday by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence.

He did so in a speech on "Russia in Historical Perspective" to the Conservative Party Bow Group at the Commons, a speech to which Mr Heseltine attaches more than usual significance.

It was the second time he had delivered the speech, the first being at a private meeting of the International Institute for Strategic Studies last month. Since then there has been some argument with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office over his desire to make it known to a wider public.

The Foreign Office is believed to have argued initially that he was encroaching on its territory, though it is believed to have agreed the speech as delivered.

With its call for "greater mutual understanding and respect on which better political and economic relations can be built", the speech is fully in line with the new softer tone of official government utterances about East-West relations.



Mr Heseltine: "Russia's expansionism self-defeating."

It is of interest because its preparation began some months ago, before the new restrained rhetoric was firmly established, and reflects what Mr Heseltine has been arguing privately in government for many months.

He traces the roots in Russian history of "an historically expansionist power obsessed with the threat it faces and apparently unconcerned about the threat which it poses: a state buying security at the expense of other people's insecurity", which, he says, must be self-defeating.

The West's first priority must be to ensure that there are no risk-free opportunities for the Soviet Union to exploit in areas of Western vital interest.

Beyond that there is a choice. East and West can stare incomprehendingly at each other across fixed bayonets. Mr Heseltine prefers the alternative, to "seek mutual understanding and respect on which better political and economic relations can be built.

That has nothing to do with unilateral gestures, a concept which the Soviet Union would find difficult to understand. Negotiations on ways of increasing mutual security offer the only way towards fair and balanced agreements.

The price the West would have to pay is the acceptance of the Soviet Union as a military superpower competing as a political and economic model.

In the longer term, the West's interest must be to encourage an increased sense of security in the Soviet Union in the hope that its leaders will direct more resources away from military spending and towards the genuine interests of its people and society, Mr Heseltine said.

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Red grouse decline in Scotland

By Hugh Clayton

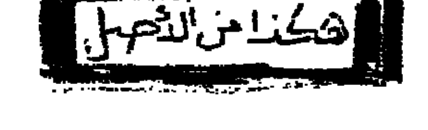
There is a "headlong" decline in the population of red grouse in Scotland, Dr Richard Potts, director of research at the Game Conservancy, said yesterday. Red grouse is by far the commonest of the grouse species shot and is a mainstay of the Scottish sporting economy.

The conservancy's latest annual review shows that monitoring of bags shot on several moors indicates that there are periodic fluctuations in numbers in England and Scotland. But in Scotland there has been a steady decline in recent years.

"If we do not find the cause of it we will never know that it is not going to threaten the refuges in the Pennines", Dr Potts said.

"It is vital that we find the cause, and at the moment everyone has got his own idea, from acid rain to a lack f gamekeepers."

The conservancy is collecting information from 40 grouse moors and hopes that 100 will eventually help.



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Summit deal has bought time but Thorn sees tough bargaining ahead

From Ian Murray, Brussels

Nothing can be done without the agreement of the British Government to end or alter its new-won rebate from the EEC, Mr Gaston Thorn, the Commission President, said in Brussels yesterday.

Mr Thorn said the new deal, approved by the European summit in Fontainbleau, had bought the Community "a bit of time". The increased resources would be enough to pay all the overheads for up to five years, but probably no longer.

"We are going to find it very difficult", he said. "This five-year period is not going to be a period of rest for the commission. All the time we are going to be up against the wall and facing these budget difficulties".

However, Mr Thorn said that the settlement had got rid of the poison and made a lot of things possible. It had created a new climate of confidence in the Community to enable it to prepare for the future. "Europe has now got to be put back in working order", he said.

A great deal of tough bargaining and book-juggling nevertheless remains to be done before the Fontainebleau agreement can come to the Community's rescue. Much depends on a Council of Finance Ministers on July 18 when a way of guaranteeing that resources are properly controlled is meant to be agreed.

One of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's two main conditions for agreeing to any increase in the Community's resources has always been tight control of all spending, particularly on agriculture.

Britain has in the past maintained that those controls would have to be legally binding, but it has run into enormous resistance because this would require amendments to the Treaty of Rome.

Mrs Thatcher therefore substituted the word "guarantees" for "legally binding" when questioned after the summit. It is clear that with the contribution argument settled the Government is prepared to take a less legalistic line. It is still in need of words that are strong enough to convince the House of Commons that spending really is under control, or the whole Fontainebleau agreement could be rejected. The role of Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, is therefore crucial to a final solution.

A Council of Budget Ministers, meeting in the middle of next month, will also have to devise a way of cutting back spending this year and next to spin out the Community's money until fresh funds become available from the start of 1986.

Commission estimates show that the money will really run short from this October unless something is done quickly. It has also drawn up a budget for next year optimistically spending money which the Community will now never have. That situation, too, will have to be put right by the Council.

It is against this threadbare background that President Mitterrand's new "Citizen's Europe" will have to be launched. A special committee to be set up by heads of government to strengthen Europe's image is to concentrate on non-expensive items.

These are to include, on the practical side, a single customs document for the movement of goods, abolition of all border formalities and a general system for ensuring the equivalence of university diplomas.

On an idealistic level, work is to be done on approving "Symbols of the Community's existence", such as a flag and a hymn, as well as the formation of a European coinage based on the artificial European currency unit (ECU).

The committee is also to study ways of cooperating to combat drug abuse and to improve understanding by twinning children's classes.

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Mitterrand tells Lisbon EEC entry assured

From Richard Wigg
Lisbon

President Mitterrand, on a brief visit here yesterday, told Portugal that the Fontainebleau summit had assured Portuguese entry into the EEC by January 1986. He even suggested entry negotiations might be finished by September 30.

A beaming Dr Mario Soares, the Portuguese Prime Minister, emerged from a working lunch with the French President to thank all the leaders of the Ten for an "historic day" for Portugal.

M Mitterrand is to make a similar brief visit bringing the good news to Madrid tomorrow, evidently aimed at extracting the maximum benefit for France of patronage of the two Iberian countries' membership.

For Dr Soares, who first sought membership seven years ago, and for his hard-pressed coalition, the go-ahead is a political lifeline. With around 60 per cent of Portugal's total exports going to the EEC, entry is also the only real option.

But the adaptation of Portugal's unproductive agriculture and industry is likely to be extremely tough. "The big challenge for Portugal begins", a leading article in *Diario de Noticias*, the Lisbon daily newspaper observed yesterday.

Dr Soares conceded that Spain's more difficult entry negotiations may take a little longer but said that would not affect 1986 entry.



Master's voice: President Reagan with Mr Clarence "Ducky" Nash, the voice of Donald Duck, at the White House on the cartoon character's fiftieth anniversary.

Peace brings joy for French leader

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Never before during the difficult three years of M Mitterrand's presidency of the French Republic has he appeared so deeply satisfied or in such good humour as at the final press conference of the EEC summit at Fontainebleau.

The summit's outcome may not have been particularly to France's benefit, indeed France will have to pay more into the Community budget because of the settlement of Britain's rebate. But it was an indisputable personal success for M Mitterrand.

The reaction in France has been muted. There is no sense of exuberance at a victory won, but rather one of relief that such a long drawn-out quarrel which was paralyzing the Community had finally been settled.

The claim by M Michel Vauzelle, the Elysée Palace spokesman, that there were no winners or losers is generally accepted. It is understood that everyone ultimately had to give a little for the sake of the greater good of the Community.

While there is a widespread view that Britain has settled for something less favourable than that offered at Brussels, there is little tendency to crow.

Considerable criticism of Mrs Thatcher has been expressed in private for her intransigent style of negotiation

MPs called 'a bunch of cheeky gringos'

From Douglas Tweedale
Buenos Aires

The first formal encounter between British and Argentine legislators since the Falklands War was termed a success by both sides after an early scare when one Argentine senator stormed our and called the visiting MPs "a bunch of cheeky gringos".

Both the British delegation and 12 Argentine senators and deputies chose to play down the outburst of Señor Luis Leon, a senator with the ruling Radical Party who is noted for his flamboyant nationalism, who said that the 2½-hour meeting "only showed that the pirates are as insolent as ever".

The Peronist Senator Julio Amoedo, who chairs the Senate's inter-parliamentary relations committee which invited MPs Mr Cyril Townsend, Mr George Foulkes and Lord Kennet to Argentina, said that the encounter was "a cordial and useful interchange of viewpoint" on how best to improve relations between Argentina and Britain.

Other senators confirmed that the meeting was friendly in tone and said they had emphasized that any solution to the Malvinas problem must include formal discussions about sovereignty.

Mr Foulkes said that the possibility of a-style leaseback arrangement had been discussed as a way of dealing with sovereignty.

Pravda hits out in new anti-corruption drive

From Richard Owen, Moscow

Pravda has published powerful attacks this week on high level corruption and incompetence in three Soviet republics, indicating that in some respects that President Andropov's anti-corruption drive is being continued.

After Mr Andrópov, death in February, fewer exposes of crime in high places appeared in the Soviet press, and the Moscow underworld breathed a premature sigh of relief. This week, however, *Pravda* reported that more than 100 senior officials in the Baltic republic of Latvia have been expelled from the Communist Party for embezzlement and abuse to power.

The paper said many more officials in the party and government hierarchy in Latvia had been warned that their criminal activities were known to the authorities. Officials in the Latian Ministries of Agriculture, Construction and Light Industry are to face criminal charges.

Similar corruption has been uncovered in Uzbekistan in Central Asia. In a hard-hitting article *Pravda* hinted at a forthcoming purge in Uzbekistan.

Last December *Pravda* and the Central Committee launched a vigorous attack on official inefficiency and corruption in Moldavia, near the border with Romania. The attack was seen as part of a campaign by President Andropov to undermine Mr Konstantin Chernenko who together with the late President Brezhnev had close ties with Moldavia.

Soviet war tactics revised

From Our Own Correspondent
Moscow

Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, the Soviet Defence Minister, said that Russia is revising its military tactics to meet the challenges posed by the increasingly advanced technology of war. He said Soviet troops had to use more "initiative in preparation for combat" to reach "tactical decisions which would come as a surprise to the enemy".

Addressing graduates of military academies, Marshal Ustinov said in the Kremlin that Soviet officers gained "extensive and diverse knowledge" during their training, but the art of warfare was developing more intensively than ever.

As both nuclear and conventional weapons were perfected, he said, military technology was being continuously updated, with modern armies using automation, microelectronics and computers.

According to Western military experts here, Soviet generals are increasingly worried by the difficulties that their troops encounter in mastering advanced weaponry.

Marshal Ustinov said new weapons development meant a revision of "tactics, troop control and the art of warfare as a whole".

The new Soviet "surprise tactics" may emerge from the present Warsaw Pact exercises in Hungary, codenamed "Danube 84", and from parallel troop manoeuvres in Eastern Europe and the Baltic area today.

Discovery's launch date must wait

New York – Spaceship engineers and computer specialists worked painstakingly yesterday to find the reasons for the engine fault which led to Tuesday's last-minute halting of the space shuttle Discovery's take-off at Cape Canaveral, (Trevor Fishlock writes).

Until the investigation teams report, no decision will be made on the new launching date for the shuttle and its crew of six.

Jews' denial

Jerusalem (Reuter) – Twenty-one Israelis accused of belonging to a Jewish underground network in the occupied West Bank have pleaded not guilty to charges that they carried out anti-Arab Attacks dating back to 1980. The judge set September 16 as the trial date and ordered all but one of the suspects who is ill to be held in jail.

Mission closed

Berlin (Reuter) – West Germany closed its mission in East Berlin to visitors indefinitely yesterday after a young East German wanting to emigrate poured petrol over himself and tried to set himself on fire. He made a second attempt but staff stopped him. After medical treatment he left.

Plane hits rock

Klagenfurt (AP) – Seven Austrian soldiers were killed when an army aircraft carrying them hit a rock face and crashed during military exercises south west of here.

Taxman's amen for the do-it-yourself clergy

From Trevor Fishlock, New York

It has come to pass, in the city of New York, that the tax gatherers have uncovered a great wickedness.

For a fee of up to £3,250, thousands of people have been enrolling as "ministers" in a "church" and taken advantage of income tax exemptions that apply to churches.

Among those who became reverend gentlemen were about 700 men in the New York City police force and some in the fire brigade.

In return for what was called a donation to the "Life Science Church" they received credentials as ministers, advice on how to operate a church at home, with their wives and families as the congregation, and tax advice.

Now nine people, including the "bishop" of the church, have been charged with running a tax evasion scheme through which they obtained more than £7m over three years and deprived the Government of millions in tax.

Their lawyer said the nine had followed the advice of a tax lawyer.

The "Life Science Church" and other such organizations have been under investigation for two years.

The authorities have suggested that people who feel they were confused about the legality of the "churches" as tax shelters could escape prosecution if they own up at once and agree to pay the tax

The city police commissioner said the force issued warnings about the tax scheme some time ago. Fewer than 30 officers were still involved in it.

Supertanker hit in Gulf as Iran warns of more severe attacks

Zurich (Reuter) – The tanker Tiburon, sailing under a Liberian flag, was apparently hit by an Exocet missile in the Gulf yesterday and several crew members were injured, the ship's operating company said.

A spokesman for Suisse Outremer Reederei said he believed that the 260,000 ton Tiburon was one of the two "very large naval targets" that Iraq said it had attacked yesterday.

The vessel, which transmitted a distress signal after an engine room explosion, loaded yesterday morning at Iran's Kharg Island terminal. It was heading for an unspecified destination in Europe, he said.

Gulf shipping sources had said earlier that an explosion on the Tiburon did not appear to have resulted from Gulf war action.

Latest reports put the Tiburon about four hours south of Kharg. It was not known whether the vessel was still afloat.

The Swiss spokesman said that salvage tugs were heading for the ship and that the extent of any damage could not be determined until they arrived. He declined to say who owned the vessel.

In London, Lloyd's shipping intelligence said that the Tiburon was a Liberian steam tanker formerly known as the Sea Scout. A spokesman said that the engine room had been damaged.

Gulf shipping sources said that the Sea Scout had been renamed after being bought by a Zurich company from the Swedish firm Jenit Tank AB.

The Gulf sources said that the Sea Scout was a sister ship to the Saudi-owned Safina al-Arab, which was hit in an Iraqi air attack after loading oil at Kharg Island on April 25 while on charter to Sweden's Salen group.

They said that the Tiburon had reported an explosion in the engine room, but they could not confirm the cause.

● TEHRAN: A United Nations team arrived here last night to monitor the cease-fire on civilian centres as Iran reported Iraqi shelling of towns in the north and south (Reuter reports).

The news agency IRNA said that Iraq has shelled Khorramshahr and Abadan in southern Iran and had killed three people in an attack on the northern border town of Sardasht.

● NICOSIA: An Iraqi warplane broke the sound barrier over Tehran, the Iranian capital, yesterday but was driven away by Iranian air force jets, IRNA, the official Iranian news agency said. (AP reports).

Lambsdorff successor named by Kohl

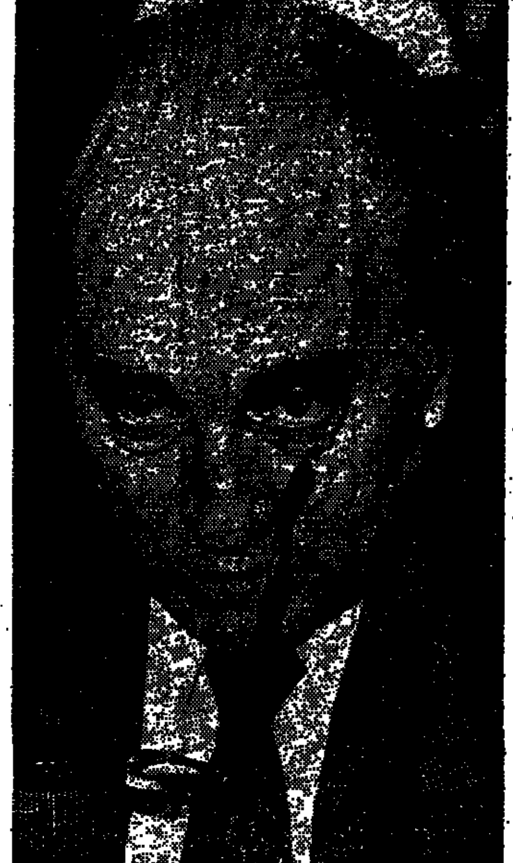
From Michael Binyon
Munich

Urgent political consultations went on all day in Bonn yesterday after the midnight resignation on Tuesday of Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Minister of Economics, who said he was about to be sent for trial on charges relating to the Flick scandal about party political donations.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl discussed the affair at a Cabinet meeting in the morning, and the small Free Democratic Party (FDP) appointed Herr Martin Bangemann, until recently leader of the West German Liberals at Strasbourg, to succeed Count Lambsdorff.

Herr Kohl was due to see President Karl Carstens yesterday evening formally to nominate a new Economics Minister. Earlier there had been intensive discussions with Herr Franz Josef Strauss, leader of the Christian Social Union (CSU) and other leading members of the coalition. The chancellor said he wanted a quick solution to the crisis.

Count Lambsdorff was accused in December by the Bonn public prosecutor of accepting for FDP party funds, DM135,000 (£34,500) from the Flick group of companies in return for tax concessions. He has consistently denied any wrongdoing, and repeated yesterday that he had never asked for, nor accepted, a single mark.





Otto Graf Lambsdorff, who resigned yesterday as Economics Minister, left; and his successor, Herr Martin Bangemann.

He was accused of corruption, but his lawyer said yesterday he would be tried only on the lesser charge of accepting favours.

His resignation came after his lawyer was informed the count would shortly be sent for trial, something which Dr Kohl had long insisted would oblige him to leave the Cabinet immediately. However, no public announcement has yet come from the Bonn court and a spokesman said it was not expected before next week.

Dr Kohl, who accepted the resignation "with extraordinary regret", after returning from the Fontainebleau summits, had high praise for him yesterday. Herr Peter Bönisch, the Government spokesman, said that the Chancellor was absolutely convinced by the man and his deeds that Count Lambsdorff was innocent.

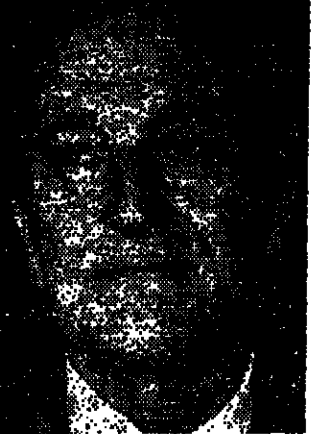
The resignation, although not unexpected, has thrown the Government into a crisis, and deepened the disarray of the Free Democrats, of which Count Lambsdorff was a leading member. Rumours persisted yesterday that Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the party leader and Foreign Minister, would now resign as FDP chairman, a step he said recently he would take next February, and seek to have Herr Bangemann nominated

Man in the news

A studious comrade from the grassroots

From Peter Niochols
Rome

Alessandro Natta, the successor to Enrico Berlinguer as leader of the Western world's biggest and most influential Communist Party, looks and acts like what he briefly was: a schoolteacher.



Signor Natta: Favours Berlinguer stance.

The thin mouth and bright eyes behind his spectacles, the ready Latin quotation, the lack of any great stage-presence combined with a certain inner intensity; his sober clothes, still reflect the career he would have continued if politics had not prevailed. One of the first comments, after his election was seen to be certain, insisted on this side of him: "He will be a fine teacher of the real heir to Berlinguer."

That could well be the new secretary's predistined role. At 66 he is older than his predecessor. Berlinguer died unexpectedly but he had thought about the succession. In fact he said on at least one occasion that he would like to have seen a rotating secretaryship which would allow leading personalities in the party to hold the post for a limited period.

When he died, both the chairmanship of the party and the vice-secretaryship were vacant and it was supposed that he eventually planned to take the chairmanship himself. This would have allowed him to keep a watch over affairs while his successor in the secretaryship would first have served for a period as vice-secretary. This logic was destroyed by his sudden stroke. But the sense of it remains in the choice of Signor Natta.

The new secretary was close to Berlinguer and in complete accord with his polices. He is the least heretical of men. It was no coincidence that he produced the report which explained why the party had decided to expel a group of intellectuals. That was in 1969 and was the last occasion on which the party imposed intellectual discipline in so heavy-handed a manner.

Natta and Berlinguer came from very different backgrounds except that their fathers were Socialists. Berlinguer was upper middle-class with somewhat remote aristocratic origins. Signor Natta's father had a butcher's shop in Oneglia near Imperia where his mother presided over the cash-register.

He was the youngest of six children and a studious child. He took his degree in literature, joined the Army as a junior officer, was wounded, taken prisoner and deported by the Germans. On his return he married a girl who had gone to the same school and, so the local inhabitants recall still with certain incredulity, actually serenaded her at night under her bedroom window. That however was one of the few occasions on which he is known to have dropped so completely his professonial air.

The question now is whether he will be able to rediscover that more extrovet touch now that he is destined to popular fame. The post of secretary of the Communist Party carries with it a certain aura. No one would expect Alessandro Natta to resume singing under bedroom windows, but he might emerge as a more colourful personality than was thought possible. Certainly he was the candidate with by far the most support, while the others were more effective in public.

Will that backing, added to the party's electoral success in the European elections, convince him to be more publicly assertive? Or will he be content with his teacher's role, grooming a younger man in the Berlinguer tradtion?

In the course of a lengthy acceptance speech, Signor Natta said: "No one could ask me and no one has asked me to be like Berlinguer but together united we have the intelligence, the ability, the energy to face even the most difficult of tasks in order to guarantee the clarity and logic of our political outlook and thus to allow the party to carry out its national and democratic function, its role in Europe; as well as in the international field."

Kirkpatrick to quit UN post

New York (Reuter) – Mrs Jeane Kirkpatrick, the controversial chief United States delegate to the United Nations, has made it clear to President Reagan that she will resign and will not take another Cabinet post.

"I am committed to this session and then I have said I intend to go back to private life, and I intend to", she said.

Her exact departure date is unclear, but aides said that it could be late autumn or early winter. Before joining the Reagan Cabinet in February 1981 Mrs Kirkpatrick, aged 58, taught at Washington's Georgetown University.

She had been an outspoken critic of the previous US role at the UN and once characterized the US position there as "essentially impotent, without influence, heavily outvoted and isolated".

But she said that the more assertive posture adopted by the Reagan Administration had been positive. "We were determined to take the UN seriously and not to say what happened here dosen't count."

Mrs Kirkpatrick pointed to a growing consensus with the Security Council on adopted measures and resolutions as an achievement.

"As late as 1979 the total was about 30 per cent. As of 1983 it was at 70 per cent. What that means is that we, like other countrites, are able to have our views taken into account."

Rebuke for Warsaw on Solidarity

From Alan McGregor
Geneva

In finding the Polish Government guilty of infringing two important international labour conventions – on freedom of association and the right of collective bargaining – an International Labour Organization commission of inquiry has urged the restoration of dialogue between the Government and the Solidarity leadership.

Its report, issued yesterday, said a resumption of trade union activity was essential

The Polish Government, which denied the commission entry to the country and has suspended its association with ILO, has been invited to give its views on the 144-page report.

While recognizing that freedom of association has its limits, the commission said union activities could not be confined strictly to occupational matters. Since political decisions, particularly in economic affairs, had consequences for workers, trade unions had to be able to express their views on Government's economic and social policies.

No firm evidence had been produced to support the Government's contention that Solidarity members had been detained not because of union activities but because of political actions.

Mr Jerzy Milewski, director of Solidarity's coordination office in Brussels, said the report showed "How the policy of mass intimidation of Polish society by the Polish authorities is being caried on."

Black miners threaten to step up pay action

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

The Coronation Colliery near Vryheid in Natal, where at least one black mineworker was killed and four others were injured in rioting and clashes with the police on Monday, was reported yesterday to be operating normally. So far no outbreaks of violence have occurred on any of the other 34 gold and 55 coal mines belonging to the Chamber of Mines.

Mr Cyril Ramaphosa, the general-secretary of the National Union of the Mineworkers (NUM), the only black union recognized by the Chamber, the employers' organization, gave a warning that the unrest was "just the beginning of the workers' struggle for a living wage"

The president of the Chamber of Mines, Mr George Nisbett, had expressed the hope earlier that the violence in Natal would prove an isolated incident and appealed to "all employees in the mining industry not to participate in strike action or acts of violence which, in the end, will benefit nobody".

According to the NUM, 1,700 of the 3,000 blacks employed at the Coronation Colliery, which is owned by the Angola-American Corpoartion, went on strike on Monday. They gathered at the mine manager's office to demand talks on recently-granted wage increases which were half as much as the union had sought.

The manager called in the polcie after refusing to discuss the matter and the strikers were dispersed by tear-gas and dogs. The union reported that later, the miners were returning peacefully to their hostels on the mine compound when unidentified persons fired on them from a white residential area nearby. Two were killed

Guatemalans given tough warning on eve of poll for a new assembly

From John Carlin
Guatemala City

Guatemala's military ruler, General Oscar Mejia Victores, has allowed elections for a constituent Assembly to go ahead this Sunday, fulfiling a promise made when he seized power in a palace coup last year from General Efrain Rioa Montt.

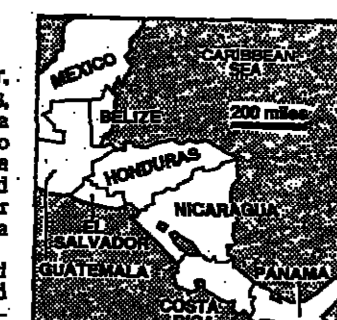
Sunday's vote, to be held nationally, is being publicized by General Mejia's Government as part of a "political opeaing", supposedly paving the way for full constitutional rule after presidential elections promised for next year.

But General Majia, an abrupt man and a hardliner in the Latin American military mould, had made it abundantly clear in public statements that he expects the 88 deputies who are to make up the new Assembly to be strictly circumscribed in their powers.

"The de-facto government will continue to hold executive and legislative power", he said earlier this year.

The general perceives the Assembly simply as a forum for writing up a new constitution, something Guatemala, the largest country in Central America with a population of 7.5 million, has not had since General Rios Montt's own coup in 1982.

General Mejia gave a warning of the consequences should members stray beyond the



Assembly's limits. "If the politicians want a dictator, they will have one", he said.

Many politicians in the 17 parties competing in Sunday's poll admit they are hard pressed to find a distinction between General Mejia's "de-facto rule" and the threatened dictatorship. People have become habituated to this form of government in Guatemala, the most repressive country in Latin America according to international human rights organizations.

Nine of the parties may be safely classified as extreme right; three as middle-of-the-road right; another three as centre; and two as centre-left.

This classification is woolly, however, as few Guatemalans have come to understand clearly the differences in policy between the parties in a low-key campaign.

Since October, more than 60 members of the campaigning groups have been murdered or kidnapped. Most of the thousands killed since then, however, have been people considered to be inclined towards the radical left, or the estimated 3,000 guerrillas who are being contained at present by Guatemala's professional and remarkably brutal Army.

Not one of the 17 parties apparently tolerated by the Government has proposed anything resembling structural reform in a country where malnourishment, infant mortality, illiteracy and institutionalized terror are appalling even by the worst Third World standards.

Nevertheless, the well-organized extreme right National Liberation Movement – politically bonded to Major Roberto D'Aubuisson's Arena party in neighbouring El Salvador – is expected by local analysts to pick up the greatest share of the vote on Sunday.

There is no one campaigning with anything like the reformist zeal of President José Napoleón Duarte in El Salvador, considered by the left there to be merely a time-server for President Reagan's strategic interests in Central America.

American influence in the Guatemalan elections is tiny compared with El Salvador. US military aid has been cut off since 1977, because of Guatemala's brazen and well-documented human rights violations.



Mr Jackson and Dr Castro outlining a 10-point agreement after talks lasting eight hours.

Jackson wins freedom for 22 prisoners

Havana (Reuter) – President Fidel Castro announced yesterday that he was freeing 22 American prisoners from Cuban jails in response to pleas from the Rev Jesse Jackson, the black US civil rights leader.

He also told a news conference that he was willing to bring forwaerd negotiations with the US on the possible return of so called undesirables to Cuba, about 1,200 Cubans who have been in American jails since fleeing on the Mariel boat exodus four years ago.

But these concessions to Mr Jackson's Central American misson fell short of the Democratic presidential contender's declared aim of securing freedom for the least 20 alleged Cuban political prisoners. Dr Castro said only that he would examine the matter "and see what we can do, but we can make no commitment".

The freed Americans, none of whom was named, were all held on mostly drug-related charges, US sources said. Dr Castro refused to release four Americans who had been convicted of air piracy.

Mr Jackson said that if emigration formalities could be completed on time, the Americans would fly home with him today at the end of his six-day Central American tour.

Dr Castro also agreed to allow a Cuban who was alleged to have worked for the US Central Intelligece Agency, Andres Vargas Gomez, to leave the country. He had already been released from jail.

The Cuban leader said he had long resisted freeing the Americans because of the poor state of US-Cuban relations.

He added that Mr Jackson had pleaded with him to change his mind on humanitarian grounds.

"So we decided to release all the US prisoners we have except those arrested and sentenced for hijacking planes", he said.

Dr Castro and Mr Jackson addressed a joint midnight press conference after eight hours of talks, twice as long as scheduled.

Mr Jackson said that Dr Castro's agreement to bring forward discussions which the US had sought on the return of the Cuban "undesirables", most of the criminals and some mentally ill, was conditional on the matter not being made an election issue between the Democratic and Republican parties this year.

The Cuban leader had previously insisted that any discussions should be delayed until after the US election

Mr Jackson added that he had based his app eal on the need for better relations between Cuba and the US at a time, he said, when wider war was threatening Central America.

We appealed to him to deal with it immediately. He has changed his mind and time schedule.

Rebel alliance expels Pastora

Mexico City (NYT) – The Costa Rica-based organization of groups fighting the Nicaraguan Government has voted to expe; Señor Eden Pastora Gomez, one of the rebel leaders.

A spokesman for Señor Pastora said in a telephone interview from Costa Rica that the rebel leader had been fighting for democracy in Nicaragua for 25 years and would continue to fight.

The vote appeared to be a response to Señor Pastora's special to consolidate forces with anti-Sandinista rebels based in Honduras.

The Central Intelligence Agency had told the Costa Rica-based organization that it would receive no more aid from the United States unless it agreed to a consolidation of forces. Members of the group have said recectly that the CIA has been providing assistance to the anti-sandinista forces.



Señor Pastora: 'The fight will continue.'

Members of the unbrella organization, the Democratic Revolutionary Alliance, said they had received no aid from the United States in April, May or June.

According to a Nicaraguan exile who has had recent contact with US officials, the Reagan Administration is anxious to combine the northern and souther fronts – both politically and military – to create an appearance of unity among the opposition to the Sandinistas.

But Señor Pastora had repeatedly siad he would not join forces with the Honduras-based force unless it was purged of everyone linked to the National guard of Anastasio Somoza, the Nicaraguan dictator who was overthrown in 1979.

On Monday Señor Pastora left hospital in Venezela, where he had been recovering fu.m injuries suffered in a bomb attack on May 30.

His spokesman said the expulsion of Señor Pastora had the support of three of the six groups that make up the rebel alliance and that it merely made formal something that had existed in the background.

"With the CIA or without the CIA, we will continue to fight".

EEC leaders to discuss Central America

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

President Luis Alberto Monge of Costa Rica, said yesterday that all 10 EEC countries had now agreed to attend a joint prime ministers' conference at San José in three months time to discuss the economic and social problems of central America.

The four Contadora countries, including Colombia, Mexico and Venezuala and also Spain and Portugal, who are waiting to join the EEC were also being invited to the meeting.

The President won support for the idea from Mrs Margaret Thatcher and also from Mr Garret FitzGerald, the Irish Prime Minister, whom he saw in London yesterday, towards the end of a month-long tour which has taken him throughout Western Europe.

But he dismissed suggestions that the United States had been deliberately excluded from the planned conference, pointing out that it did not belong to the EEC – for whom the meeting was being specifically arranged.

But the President, addressing a London press conference, also went on to describe the raising of interest rates by American banks as a "brutal blow" which could give rise to a serious conflict between the debtor countries and their credit banks. The latest increase in interest rates has added $1,200m (857m) to the Latin American debt, he said.

President Monge, whose principal objective on his European tour has been to canvass support, financial and political, for his country's neutrality in Central American politics, said that he was heard sympathetically by Mrs Thatcher during a meeting at Downing Street.

Deadlocked assembly in Corsica dissolved

Paris – The French Cabinet decided to dissolve the Corsican Regional Assembly which has been paralyzed by a political crisis since April (Diana Geddes writes). New elections will be held within two months.

The Assembly, less than two years old, marks the Government's first experiment in devolved regional government by means of which it had hoped to pacify the island's separatist and automonist movements.

Triple life-term in Brinks finale

White Plains (Reuter) – Samuel Brown, the last defendant to stand trial for the October 1981 gang robbery of a Brinks van in suburban New York City, has been sentenced to three consecutive life terms in prison. Brown, aged 43, would not be eligible for parole until 2056.

He was found guilty last June for participating in the armoured car robbery in which a Brinks guard and two policemen died. Eight members of the gang had been sentenced previously to from 12 years to life.

Belgrade boss

Belgrade (Reuter) – Mr Ali Sukjira became president for a year of the Yugoslav Communist Party. An ethnic Albanian from Kosovo, he took over from Mr Dragoslav Markovic, a Serb.

Kampala death

Kampala (AFP) – Michael Simba, the eldest son of Uganda's late Army Chief of Staff, Major-General David Oyite Ojok, died from a gunshot wound. The local press said he had been depressed since his father died last December in a helicopter crash.

Invisible visible

Tokyo (Reuter)–The Japanese firm Hitachi announced development of a microscope that can theoretically see objects smaller than a hydrogen atom, the smallest unit of any chemical element.

Higher purchase

Buenos Aires (AFP) – The Soviet Union last year bought nine million tons of wheat from Argentina, double what it has contracted to purchase. In the first four months of this year the Russians bought four million tons.

Muslim property attacked as Hindu extremists go on rampage in Bombay

From Michael Hamlyn
Bombay

While soldiers stood guard at key intersections in suburbs of Bombay, gangs of hooligans attacked Muslim-owned property, burning a shop and vandalizing taxis at Sahar airport. Two deaths were reported.

The hooligans were said by the police to belong to a Hindu organization called Shiv Sena – Shiva'a army – named after the Hindu hero who made himself the most powerful maharajah in this part of India, and held both the Muslim forces of the Mogul emperors and the British at bay.

The founder and leader of Shiv Sena, a mild-mannered newspaper cartoonist, Mr Bal Thackeray, appealed for peace, saying that he would visit the troubled areas to call for calm.

Mr Thackeray, sitting in front of a photograph of a snarling tiger, with a large bronze of the elephant-headed god Ganesh beside him and a statuette of Shiva-Ji and a brass cannon in front of him, told me about what he termed the struggle of Hindus to be free in their own country. "You need order to control the thing", he added. "People are not interested in elections or political in-fighting."

"When partition took place, it was purely based on communal grounds. The Muslims got their motherland, called Pakistan, and the Hindus got their motherland, called Hindustan", he said, complaining that the Muslims left behind in India had grown from 25 million to 170 million in the intervening years.

"Now they have certain designs on us. They want to make this country Islamic; there is encroachment on our rights and on our land."

Mr Thackeray, aged 53, one of whose favourite possessions is a cartoon biography of Winston Churchill which contains three of his own drawings, added that although India was supposed to be a secular state, one religion, Islam, was being pampered.

"They can marry any number of women and have as many children as they want. Hindus can have only one wife, and if we have more than two children we lose government jobs."

Mr Thackeray is not greatly in favour of voting. Sipping a *kanji*, a mild infusion of rice-water and herbs, he said: "We don't believe in democratic things, because what has democracy done for the common man"?

Mr Thackeray practices what he preaches in his own organization. "I am the chief", he says, "and I have my lieutenants, who are called leaders. We discuss problems, but the final decision is mine".

Shiva Sena was founded 18 years ago as a Maharashtrian organization, dedicated to getting Marharashtrians jobs in their own state, from which they were being squeezed by large-scale immigration from the south.

Although Mr Thackeray claims not to wish outsiders to be sent away, nor indeed be prevented from coming, he does express a fear that if things go on as they are, the islands on which Bombay city is built may sink. "The seas are constantly being reclaimed", he said, "but can the land bear the weight"?

Mr Thackeray's attractive bungalow is in an enclave in the troubled suburb of Kherwadi, in East Bandra, where the curfew is imposed at 8 pm to prevent the Hindus and Muslims from killing each other. Across the main highway, in West Bandra, is the home of the Muslim representative for the area, Mr Ahmed Zakaria.

"Ninety-five per cent of the Hindus are good", Mr Zakaria said. "It is only a minority causing this trouble".

400 arrested

More than 400 people were arrested yesterday in Bombay to prevent fresh Hindu-Muslim clashes. The police said the arrests took the number of people detained in connexion with sectarian violence in the area to more than 1,000. In Punjab, troops arrested 35 suspected Sikh extremists. In the north-eastern state of Assam, bomb blasts damaged railway tracks.

'Massacre' of Sikhs condemned by Pakistan

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad

The "massacre" of 1,000 Sikhs when Indian troops took the Golden Temple in Amritsar was tyrannical, Mir Ahmed Talpur, Pakistan's Defence Minister, said.

He was the first Pakistani minister to comment directly on the Sikh agitation.

According to press reports, he regretted the military action in the Golden Temple, the Sikhs' holiest shrine and expressed the view that the killings could have been averted by employing other methods, such as disconnecting water and electricity to the temple or besieging it.

Mir Talpur said that in the 1950s, during anti-Qadiani agitation by Sunni Muslims in Lahore, the Army, did not dare enter the Wazir Khan mosque, which served as the headquarters of the mullahs directing the movement against the Quadianis, now declared a non-Muslim minority.

The Defence Minister, who was addressing journalists on Tuesday, refuted Indian Charges of aiding the Sikh extremists and accused India of interfering in Pakistan's internal problems from time to time.

He recalled Indian action at the time of partition against Hyderabad, Junadadh and Manavadar and Jammu and Kashmir states. He said Pakistan's restraint at that time against alleged Indian aggression in Jammu and Kashmir was an act of negligence.



Trial shock: Mr DeLorean and his wife Cristina arriving at court.

DeLorean jurors quizzed by judge

Los Angeles (NYT) – The trial of Mr John DeLorean on drug charges was shaken when jurors said they had received copies of a Congressional report that was highly critical of such government undercover investigations as the one in the DeLorean case.

A spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, Mr Lane Bonner, said the Agency, at the request of the US Attorney's office in Los Angeles and with the concurrence of Federal District Judge Robert Takashgi, had started an investigation to see if Federal regulations on obstruction of justice had been violated. The defence also requested the inquiry.

Judge Takashgi went into chambers with lawyers for Mr DeLorean and for the Government to determine what action should be taken on the status of the trial. Four jurors were questioned in the closed-door session.

The judge returned to the bench without public comment and resumed the trial.

DeLorean, a former General Motors executive and founder of the DeLorean Motor Co, is being tried on charges of conspiracy to possess and distribute cocaine.

13-nation pledge on sulphur pollution

From Michael Binyon
Munich

The International Environment Conference ended here yesterday with a pledge by 13 Western nations – excluding Britain – to cut their sulphur dioxide emissions by 30 per cent by 1993, and an undertaking by the Soviet Union, Bulgaria and East Germany to cut emissions borne to other countries by 30 per cent by the same date.

Belgium, Luxembourg and Liechtenstein joined the "30 per cent club" of 10 Western countries which bound themselves to this step in Ottawa in March. Britain and the United States, which maintain they have made substantial progress, were not persuaded to join in.

Speaking for the group, Mr Charles Caccia, the Canadian Minister of the Environment, said they had agreed to adopt specific proposals for sulphur dioxide reductions which would be put to the executive of the United Nations Economic Council for Europe in September.

"Time is not on our side. The public is very anxious", Mr Caccia said.

The final resolution also agreed that yearly emissions or transboundary fluxes of nitrogen oxides from cars and stationary installations should be "effectively reduced" by 1995.

It calls for a rational use of energy, more research and international cooperation, increased use of the best available technologies, more consultations on sampling and analysis and the continuation of the European air pollutants monitoring programme.

The conference almost broke up in dissarray because of an East-West dispute on whether the arms race should be mentioned in the final resolution. Western countries refused to accept a Soviet addition to the preamble on the ground that disarmament was not a subject for an environment conference.

But after an hour's argument behind closed doors delegations from the United States, the Soviet Uninon, East and West Germany, Britian, France and Bulgaria agreed on a West German compromise which all 31 countries attending the conference adopted without discussion.

This recognized that international cooperation in environmental protection contributed to the strengthening of peace and security in Europe and the world, and this was a decisive factor in the conservation of the environment.

The final resolution, unanimously adopted, was described by Herr Friedrich Zimmermann, the West German Interior Minister and chairman of the conference, as an "unusual success" and "an important impulse". He said all countries in East and West had to cooperate for the world to remain inhabitable, and Munich had been a milestone.

Mr William Waldegrave, a British Under Secretary of State for the Environment, told delegates the conference had given a powerful new impetus to the work of the Economic Council for Europe's 1979 Geneva Convention.

During the final session two protestors from Greenpeace attempted to unfurl a banner saying: "Talk and Let Die".

Marcos puts wife back in power

From Keith Dalton
Manila

President Marcos has said that except for three defeated Ministers all members of his Cabinet, including his wife, Imelda, will be reappointed when his new Government takes office on Saturday.

Mrs Marcos did not run in last month's parliamentary election – which saw the Opposition capture an unexpected one-third of the votes – in line with a public promise last September to quit politics and relinquish her may public offices. She is Minister of Human Settlements, Governor of Metro Manila and Chairman of the Metro Manila Commission.

Mrs Marcos submitted her "courtesy" resignation from all her posts last month to allow the president to form a new Government. However, Mr Marcos last week said that his wife's political future would be decided by a caucus of the ruling new society movement.

"If she is needed she will be utilized," he said. "If she is no longer needed then we will probably dispense with her services."

At Monday's party caucus Mr Marcos announced: "All Cabinet Ministers will remain unless they were defeated in the last election, in which case they are considered automatically resigned."

Mrs Marcos is likely to return to office but a Cabinet restructuring could involve her Ministry, one of the most powerful and influential in the Cabinet.

The caucus gave Mr Marcos complete authority to reorganize Cabinet portfilios.

Japan's closer ties to US worry Moscow

From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

Japan's economic relations with its American ally may continue to chafe, but the often rocky relations between the Pentagon and Japan's defence establishment have grown smoother in the past year.

The signs are for a most smooth period of cooperation ahead – which has the Soviet Union noticeably worried.

In Hawaii, the fifteenth round of high-level consultations ended yesterday with hardly a hint of open discord. Six weeks of joint Rimpac naval manoeuvres, involving Pacific Rim nations, end tomorrow. Japan took part with five ships, eight aircraft and 1,400 men.

The Reagan Administration and the Pentagon seem to have switched tactics away form "budget bashing", for higher levels of defence spending, to a quiter discussion of roles and missions of the two allies. Both sides now agree on Japan's goal of defending 1,000 miles of sealane, a matter which dogged exchanges in the past.

Washington is unhappy about Japan's level of prepredness, but no longer presses hard on it publicly.

Credit for this positive turn goes to some extent to Japan's nationalistic Prime Minister, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone. Since coming to office, he has impressed President Reagan as being trustworthy on defence. For the past two years, Mr Nakasone has padded the defence budget while other items were slashed.

What is new, and perhaps more lasting, is a growing consensus in japan that the Soviet Union does indeed pose a "common" threat to security in the Far East.

Yesterday the Soviet embassy in Tokyo, in a highly unusual gesture, presented its military and air attaché for a lively 90-minute press conference with foreign correspondents. Colonel Yuri Danilov said that "tensions in the Far East continue to rebuild", mainly as a result of the US buildup.

Record-breaking bandit

From Ivor Davis, Los Angeles

A Hollywood antiques dealer, who the Federal Bureau of Investigation said had robbed more banks than Jesse James or Bonnie and Clyde, has been sent to prison for 15 years.

Edwin Chambers Dodson, aged 35, who sold antiques to many celebrities in Hollywood, led a secret life as a bank robber. From July 1983 until his arrest in February this year he robbed more banks than any other man in US history, the FBI said.

He made an estimated $300,000 (£214,000) in about 64 Californian robberies. He was known as "the Yankee bandit" because he wore a blue New York Yankees baseball cap in most of the robberies. The FBI said he raided so many banks in order to support heroin taking which cost him $800 a day.

The handsome bachelor whose customers at his art deco antiques shop included Jack Nicholson and the Rolling Stones, had pleaded guilty to eight robberies after plea bargaining by his lawyer and prosecutors.

Nicholas Kenyon, at the Maggio Musicale in Florence, witnesses an historical – and historic – presentation by Britain's Early Opera Project of Monteverdi's *Orfeo*

Marvellous leap into the past

Orpheus is a dominant theme of this year's controversial and energetic Maggio Musicale in Florence, which is being directed by Luciano Berio. Orpheus may not have featured in (or indeed inspired) the opening production of *Rigoletto*, which John Higgins reported here, but elsewhere he has been much in evidence: in a new ballet, in a modern rescoring of Monteverdi's opera, and most notably in a thoroughgoing attempt to find a form of Monteverdi's *Orfeo* which can mirror the experience of that original for a present-day audience. This is the first venture of the Early Opera Project, a new organization directed jointly by Roger Norrington (who is giving up the principal conductorship of Kent Opera) and Kay Lawrence, a dance and movement specialist. It says a great deal for the sources of funding for adventurous opera in Britain that this production was paid for by the Maggio and mounted in Florence.

The Salone dei Cinquecento, a massive, not quite rectangular hall in the Palazzo Vecchio, was built in the sixteenth century as a meeting-room for Savonarola's council, but was later remodelled under Cosimo I and decorated by Vasari. It was used extensively in the latter part of the century for plays with music, and we know a good deal of detail about their form. The stage filled the whole of the 22 metres on the short side of the hall, while tiered seating ran along the 53 metres of the long sides. There were elaborate decorations on the walls, and – in the comedies of the 1560s which had music by Alessandro Striggio – the sets were mounted on triangular wings and changed in full view of the audience.

These were the "wondrous shows" of the last renaissance *intermedi*: Monteverdi's great opera of 1607, though it borrows much from the renaissance tradition, is a very different piece. It was staged, as Norrington and Lawrence are quick to acknowledge, in far more intimate surroundings in Mantua. (Iain Fenlon gave the details in an article in the May *Early Music*.) So the translation to the Salone dei Cinquecento is a matter of subtlety and imagination. No raked seating was provided for over 1,000 people in the hall (I might have complained had I been at the back) and, instead of a large and lavish stage, there was a small Palladian temple, beautifully designed by Terence Emery to match the architecture, which sat at one end of the hall, with painted scenic drops, a pair of wings, and a curtain which rose and fell only once in the evening – the Prologue and five acts were presented in a single dramatic sweep.

On either side of this stage sat Monteverdi's orchestra – so much more elaborate than in his later operas for public theatre – divided in two groups to accompany the singers. Emery's costumes are colourful, Buonalenti-inspired renaissance creations, with pastoral conceits and plentiful garlands; the entertainment begins as the whole company process by imitation candlelight (a project to light everything with real candles was scotched by fire regulations – even in Italy!) from the back of the hall.

The most startling aspect one only realizes as the first tight-knit, powerfully characterized ensembles of the shepherds and nymphs are heard: there is no conductor. This is such a well-prepared, thoroughly rehearsed understaking that the whole thing moves through Monteverdi's miraculous sequence of "modern" recitative, mannerist madrigal, old-style chorus and new-style aria without the least need for outside direction: it is the voices who lead, and the instrumentalists who accompany them – as a later observer of Venetian opera put it – with marvellous exactness.

Musically this *Orfeo* is strides ahead of anything else I have heard, and that includes all four versions on record. Guy de Mey, a singer I have had reservations about in recordings, emerges as a light, fresh but incredibly powerful Orfeo, whose impassioned recitative at the loss of Euridice and mighty invocation to Charon, "Possente spirto", are highlights of the evening. Equally compelling is Jane Findlay's piercingly intense Messenger, who brings the news of Euridice's death in plangent tones and dislocated harmonies which gave one a real feeling for the horror and surprise this revolutionary aspect of the music must have caused in 1607.

Philippa Dames Longworth's Euridice is a little too weak, sweet-smiling and vibrant of voice; Nicholas Greenbury's Charon and Jonathan Best's Pluto are authoritative. But the impression that remains is not of single performances but of a team welded together by the most detailed and precise response to Monteverdi's idiom of small voices stepping out of the ensemble in trios or duets of perfect harmony. Among the instrumentalists, the assembled harpsichords and chittarones provide some of the most responsive continuo playing I have ever heard (they have an advantage in that they can actually see and respond to the singers); the *sinfonie* are affecting, and the obbligati of violins, cornetti and harp in "Possente spirto" was electrifying.

But the most experimental aspect of the production is its acting, and here Norrington and Lawrence take a leap into the dark of the past by attempting to recreate for our time a style which must have been, I suspect, more different from what we know as "stage acting" than anything we can realize. In the programme they quote Ebreo di Somi's Mantuan advice to actors in his *Dialoghi* that they must be disciplined, agile and nimble, and able to pose and gesture like a great statue but with ease and naturalness. A tall order, indeed: here they interpreted this to mean predominantly flowing, active gestures, with swooping hands and ever-bending bodies.

Purely on the level of instinct, I am not so sure. The paintings of Annibale Carracci in the Farnese in Rome, say, which show a mixture similar to Monteverdi's of renaissance formalism and emerging baroque expressiveness, are incredibly taut and powerful; so is the music of *Orfeo*. (So too are the classical sculptures of the Uffizi which inspired all this.) I would be inclined to gestures with more focus and sharpness – like those of the ensemble here in the tragic choruses rather than the vaguer wavings and posturings which marked the ensemble of spirits in Act III. There are some distracting touches, like the continual creaking plying of Charon's boat through the sublime "Possente spirto", and singers too often silhouetted against the light. Act IV, with Orfeo's fatal look back and Euridice's disappearance, is staged in too restricted a space for the movement really to tell.

But these are details. The overall impression is of a successful – indeed an historic – attempt to bring the drama of Monteverdi's time alive for us, which strikes home to a remarkable extent. If it is not seen in Britain we will put ourselves lamentably behind the times in one of the most interesting musical and dramatic developments of our age.



Light, fresh and incredibly powerful: Guy de Mey as Orfeo (left) with John Hancorn as Apollo

Television

A people bleakly divided

Ulster, much as we might like it to, will not go away. It obtrudes in newsreel and documentaries and last night on BBC2 Harry Barton's **Fire at Magilligan**, in a taut 45 minutes, reminded us of its continuing baleful presence. It was the first play for television by Mr Barton, a former Captain in the Royal Navy, and an impressive debut: much more expensive productions have occupied much larger slots with a fraction of the impact.

If it left a feeling of hopelessness, starker because of the use of wintry landscapes, that surely is how it is. Its message was that you do not have to be obdurately republican or loyalist to be a potential victim: you just have to be there.

Dilys Hamlett played the elderly driver of a car who hospitably gives a lift to a young man outside Belfast. She had seen her passenger, a Provo, ten years previously. On that occasion she sentenced him to a period of solitary confinement and loss of remission for his involvement in a fire at Magilligan Prison.

Recognition is mutual, but he seems humane enough. He has her stop the car to rescue a kitten from the motorway reservation and she lies for him to get him past the police. As they talk and travel, their previous encounter being revealed in flashbacks, it becomes apparent that their conflict is not that of republican and loyalist but that between a man who sees himself at war and a woman who sees her duty as maintaining political difference within a frame of law and order.

When she drops him off, his warning is clear: he has her name and her car number. If she reports him at the next roadblock, she is a candidate for reprisal. So much for neighbourliness when people are divided by irreconcilable values.

She reports him and that was that: the dialogue spare; the menace pervasive. Miss Hamlett and Derek Halligan, as the Provo, were excellent. Chris Parr, responsible for the memorable BBC Northern Ireland *Billy* trilogy, produced, and Jan Sargent directed.

Life Power, also on BBC2, tried to get us excited about its discovery that biotechnology is big business – which, of course, it has been for some time. In six programmes it is intended to clarify how all good microbes are coming to the aid of man as biology is increasingly applied to industry.

The producer and presenter, Paul Kriwaczek, gleamed in his excitement at the task but tended to belabour us with terms that left us groping while he thumped us with the next. The consultant was Professor Steven Rose, of the Open University, who believed, rightly, that we should know the developments and dangers. I hope we shall.

Dennis Hackett

Rosemary Leach, having struggled free of the television sit-com, is back to singing in *Six for Gold*, which begins previews at the King's Head tonight: interview by Sheridan Morley

Back to the old values

Emerging bloodied but unbowed from the fiasco of *The Importance* as a musical, the director Tony Craven has a vastly more ambitious and potentially rather more successful project opening up this week at the Kings's Head: again it is a musical, or rather six musicals each running Ayckbourn-like around the same themes and staged as alternating triple bills – except on July 5, when critics and musical addicts (not always quite the same thing) can get the whole set by starting at 3.45 in the afternoon, breaking for a buffet supper and then carrying on until nearly 10. *Strange Interlude* with songs? Not exactly. The lyricist is Warner Brown (who did *Biograph Girl* and currently has a Broadway musical about Clara Bow in rehearsal) and the composer is the more local Michael Reed, who have together come up with an Anglo-American musical partwork. For its star, Rosemary Leach, this marks a rare return to warbling:

"Pure brassneck on my part, and I'm terrified. I did a *Guys and Dolls* at Birmingham 12 years ago, and a *Beggar's Opera* at Hammersmith for Toby Robertson, but mine has generally been a very unmusical career. My husband said if I didn't sing again now I never would, and what I like about musicals best is the daft contagious enthusiasm of the people who do them. Musical people are always so thrilled when you do a bit of acting for them, and they are always so deeply enthusiastic: in rehearsal they are already talking about the Broadway transfer, whereas actors are already thinking about how to get another job after this one folds. It's a different world."

Now at the end of her forties, Rosemary Leach was the third child of Shropshire teachers who brought her up on wartime visits to the Wolverhampton pantomime and occasional trips to see Val Doonican when he was still one of the Four Ramblers:

"But we also had the ritual school Shakespeare trips, and I did get to see the then Oliviers in *Antony and Cleopatra* at Liverpool, though even that was miles away. Father was the organist and choirmaster as well as being the village schoolmaster, but there was never anything more theatrical than that in the family, and I really wanted to go to art school. But then one of my older sisters brought home a magazine article about RADA, so I wrote off for an audition. I did Rosalind and Iphegenia with my back to the examiners, but they seemed to think that was all right so I got into the 1953–55 generation of students like Alan Bates and John Stride and O'Toole and Finney, who were just ahead of us. It was supposed be a golden time but I was deeply unhappy, couldn't seem to learn anything, and only really stayed out of obstinacy because my parents were paying and I didn't want to admit defeat. My report said I had a good temperament but no technique."



Rosemary Leach: "It's a different world . . ."

The technique came later, when she went off to join Caryl Jenner's mobile theatre for children: "Working off the back of a lorry and moving around all the time, I suddenly learnt how to do it, and from there I was able to get a lot of work around the Midand reps. Then Philip Savile saw my picture and cast me for an Armchair Theatre and after that it was all television – single plays, classic serials, the lot. Occasionally I used to audition for the National or the RSC but they didn't really seem to want to know, and as I had more work than I could cope with in television it didn't really seem to matter.

"But then I did one too many of those Ronnie Corbett situation-comedy series and suddenly I got very frightened and realized that I had to get my career back where it belonged before it fell apart into real television rubbish. The *Roads to Freedom* cast were barely speaking to me because of all the comedy I'd done, and I had to beg Jonathan Miller to let me into his *Othello*. But then *Charing Cross Road* happened at Salisbury and suddenly I was taken seriously again, although now casting directors only think I can do lonely old ladies in second-hand bookshops.

"There's nothing like the joy of getting a bad Saturday-night audience in the theatre and making them jolly well listen and laugh despite themselves; the trouble is that people are losing the power of speech theatrically. Nobody speaks or listens carefully enough any more. My trouble is still that nobody really knows me: Peter Hall asked for me for Gertrude to Finney's Hamlet and then said he was terribly sorry, he thought I was older. *Jewel in the Crown* might have changed that a bit, but probably not."

Married for a second time, to the actor Colin Starkie, Miss Leach is a passionate believer in the old theatrical values: "Almost the last thing I did on stage was *Richard III* up at George Murcell's theatre with Alan Badel. It was his farewell appearance and he really shouldn't have done it: he'd gone very deaf by then. But he was one of the all-time greats and he reminded audiences of a lost world of theatre when it was close to opera, giving people the kind of experience they are never going to get in a studio space, making them use their guts and their hearts to respond. In a world where people talk about 'the Jonathan Miller *Hamlet*' when he neither wrote nor played it, surely it's about time we got back to the actor as the major theatrical force?"

Concerts

LSO/Kubelik

Barbican

Your Bruckner is not my Bruckner, no doubt. And certainly my Bruckner is not Rafael Kubelik's Bruckner. But during a performance of such rhetorical power as we heard on Tuesday one is forced to suspend disbelief and marvel at a strange new shape rearing up out of a score one thought one knew: in this case the unfinished Ninth Symphony. Mr Kubelik's performance was, I think, wrong, yet so majestically wrong that, while it lasted, any doubts seemed petty.

The root of the matter lies in the nature of Bruckner's expressiveness. Mr Kubelik was strongly inclined to give the composer's ideas the weight of personal emotion they would carry in Mahler or Tchaikovsky. Or at least he did so where any kind of conflict is involved.

At those places where the music reaches a plateau, he tended to leave it in relative calm, even under-playing Bruckner's instructions for tenderness or breadth. But in the much more frequent passages where repetitions build towards a climax, or where orchestral groups sound off against one another, the music became loud with protest. The outstanding instance was the peak of the first movement, where Bruckner was discovered in Beethovenian pose, standing wild-eyed and wind-blown in a thunderstorm, shaking his fist at a hostile face.

It was as if we were feeling as muscular effort the tremendous tension in the buttresses of a Gothic cathedral, ignoring the fact that the tension is there primarily to establish the structure: it does not of itself mean anything.

In support of that argument, one might quote Bruckner's dedication of the symphony "to the beloved God": Mr Kubelik's performance was not one that a man of Bruckner's simplicity would have dreamed to address so. And, on a more demonstrable plane, Mr Kubelik's view entailed a great number of accelerations and slackenings, crescendos and diminuendos not called for by the composer.

This was indeed a very fluid as well as a very challenging performance. Only in the scherzo's trio, curiously balletic, was the rhythm entirely regular for long. Elsewhere Mr Kubelik made use of his unrivalled ability to bend time, to keep the pulse going in spite of his very plastic phrasing, and even give the impression that different themes in counterpoint are moving at different rates, towards different goals.

Naturally this was of special benefit in the Adagio, and all the more so when each paragraph was gradually slowed to a point where it seemed that this performance as well as the work must remain unfinished.

To preface this symphony with Janáček's Sinfonietta ought to be banned by a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Brass Players, but in fact the brass of the London Symphony Orchestra responded proudly to Mr Kubelik in both works. And the Janáček as much as the Bruckner displayed this conductor's conviction that sound is a substance to be manipulated to the end of urgent communication.

His partnership with the LSO, much applauded before, is splendidly renewed for the present short season.

Paul Griffiths

LCS/Glover

Festival Hall

All this fuss about a new, lost Haydn Mass and the result – as seen on *Omnibus* on Sunday night – turns out to be an interestingly untypical but otherwise entirely unremarkable *Kyrie*-and-a-bit in the most traditional *stile antico*. That "story" – and it was a good story as told by Professor Robbins Landon – presumably drew an audience of hundreds of thousands; might there not be some small spin-off when two days later the London Choral Society performs one of the greatest Mass settings Haydn (or for that matter anyone else) ever wrote?

But no: it was a thin house on Tuesday even with the enticement of Mozart's *Kleine Nachtmusik* and the now televisually familiar Jane Glover on the podium: the attractions of church music by Mozart (his Solemn Vespers) and Haydn (his so-called "Nelson" Mass) are obviously limited.

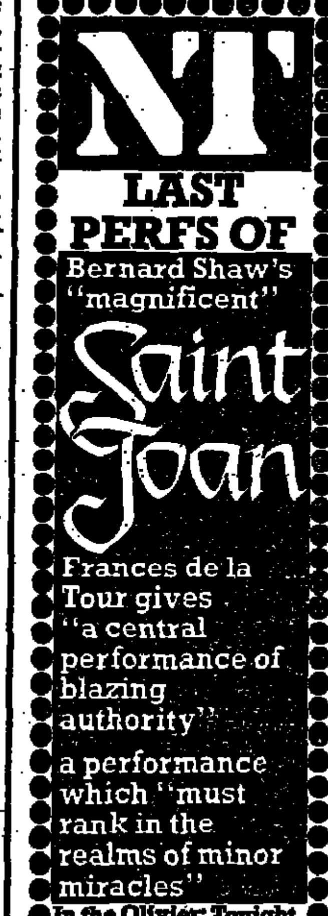
The performances, however, were not in the least thin. Indeed they tended to suffer from the over-amplified size of both the London Choral Society and the Philharmonia Orchestra, but whereas in the Haydn Mass the well-trained choir triumphantly overcame the limitations imposed by its size, and produced incisive, well-coordinated, often very exciting sounds, the orchestra were content to splash around with disappointing imprecision in an idiom to which they were not suited.

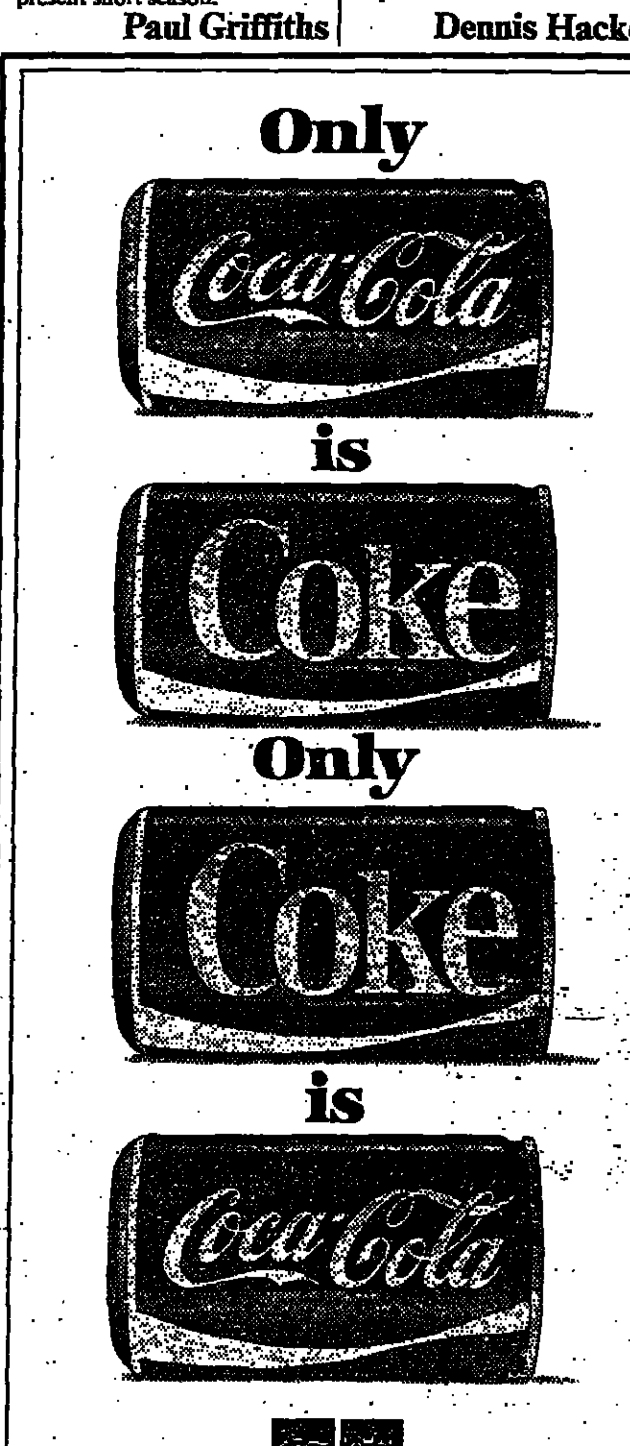
For reasons that were unclear, Dr Glover elected to use the totally discredited Breitkopf edition, which substitutes for Haydn's wonderfully original solo organ part wind solos of variously irrelevant colourful hues. Gabriele Fontana, the soprano who is Glynbourne's Countess in *Figaro* at present, brought a supple directness and warmth to the "Laudate Dominum" in the Mozart Vespers, but seemed less familiar with Haydn's demanding score; though her shooting scales in the Kyrie were splendid, her treatment of the sublime, floating entry at "Et vitam" in the Credo was anything but ethereal.

Jane Glover admirably made no attempt to impose an operatic disposition on this liturgical music, but she did bring out every ounce of its drama – which at the climax, when the three trumpets slash their way into the Benedictus, is quite unclassically terrifying.

Nicholas Kenyon

● The 28-year-old British player John Scott has become the first Western European to win the International J. S. Bach Organ Competition in Leipzig.





Man the Queen will bank on

The Times Profile:

Lord Airlie, the next Lord Chamberlain

The ghost of a Highland drummer-boy is said to haunt Cortachy Castle in Angus. The rat-a-tat-tat heralds the death of the chief of the Ogilvy clan. Fortunately the Earl of Airlie, owner of this impressive white stucco castle, feels able to joke about it.

"The Scots like to romanticize these stories", he says. "This one arose during clan warfare between the Argyll Campbells and the Ogilvys in the seventeenth century".

The new Lord Chamberlain has all the discretion, courtliness and background necessary to fill this distinguished and ancient royal office. He belongs to one of Scotland's grandest families, which has supplied courtiers for many generations (even though they twice rebelled against the Crown during the Jacobite uprisings). He has experienced just enough of the outside world, both in the Army and the City, not to be fettered by tradition.

He arrives with an open mind at a time when the Crown is evolving faster than ever before. The majesty is giving way to a a more democratic, almost Scandinavian royal style, compounded by the "Dallas"-style activities of Prince Andrew, Princess Margaret and Lady Helen Windsor.

Tall, silver-haired and dashing, Lord Airlie would have been perfect casting for David Niven playing an Edwardian

The merchant banker will leave behind a £168,000 salary to take the job

governor-general in all his plumed splendour. Back this week from a business trip to America, he was catching up on his work in the Cheapside office of the merchant bank Schroder's, where he is an active chairman. By accepting his new job he relinquishes a £168,000-a-year salary.

"It would have been quite impossible for me to have combined the two, but I shall remain on the boards of the Royal Bank of Scotland and of General Accident".

For the next five months Airlie will understudy Lord Maclean, the former Chief Scout who became Lord Chamberlain 13 years ago. The role has developed from its political power in the Elizabethan court to its mainly ceremonial power today.

The Lord Chamberlain, in practice the senior of the three great officers in the Queen's Household, acts as Buckingham Palace's impresario of pageantry. He supervises nearly every royal function involving pomp and ceremony and must be as adept in the niceties of protocol and order of precedence as any Grand Vizier.

The Maclean reign could scarcely have been busier. One of his first – and trickiest – tasks was to organize the Duke of Windsor's funeral in 1972. He had to welcome the grieving Duchess to Britain from her Paris exile, after a 35-year rift with the Queen and other members of the Royal Family. With his customary sensitivity he added at the last moment the words "or dark lounge suits" to the official invitations, having realized that not all Windsor's old retainers would have morning dress.

Maclean also had to plan Princess Anne's wedding, the Duke of Gloucester's funeral, the Queen's Silver Jubilee celebrations, Lord Mountbatten's funeral and of course, the Prince of Wales's wedding. It remains a pity that this shy, efficient, essentially backroom figure will also be remembered as the man in charge when an intruder climbed into the Queen's bedroom.

David Airlie is only too aware of the more mundane, but potentially troublesome, responsiblilities of his new job. For nearly 30 years his father, the twelfth Earl, was Lord *Chamberlain to the Queen* Mother while his grandmother acted as confidante and lady-in-waiting to Queen Mary for over 50 years.

He himself has been a member of the Queen's Bodyguard for Scotland for nine years. "It entails being on parade at the annual royal garden party at Holyrood Palace and at the Order of the Thistle ceremony in St Giles' Cathedral".

Next summer it will be Lord Airlie who invites all those sandwich-grabbing lady mayoresses, turbanned dignitaries, headmistresses and other worthies to the Buckingham Palace garden parties. From December when he accepts his white stave of office from the Queen he will be in charge of such medieval-sounding officials as the Constable and Governor of Windsor Castle, the Keeper of the Jewel House (Tower of London), the Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures, the royal Librarian, the Master of the Queen's Musick and the Keeper of the Swans.

These and other key flunkeys under his sway ensure the smooth running of the Queen's Household, whether she is residing at Windsor Castle, Sandringham, Balmoral or Buckingham Palace. Other aspects of her life are controlled by the Lord Steward, currently the Duke of Northumberland, who plans State banquets and supervises, among other things, the royal wine cellar; the Master of the Horse, the Earl of Westmorland, who is in charge of the Royal Mews (cars, as well as horses), and the hereditary Earl Marshal, the Duke of Norfolk, who masterminds State functions like the coronation, the opening of Parliament and the investiture of the Prince of Wales.

David George Coke Patrick Airlie was born on May 17, 1926. He left Eton early, at 17, in order to fight in the Second World War. He remained in the Scots Guards, becoming ADC to the British High Commissioner and C-in-C in Austria. He later served in Malaya, but in 1950 he sacrificed his Army career to learn estate management at Cirencester, prior to inheriting the family properties in Scotland.

Meanwhile as Captain Lord Ogilvy he was being touted by newspapers as an eligible husband for Princess Margaret. Ironically it was his younger brother Angus who, much later, was to marry a Princess – the Queen's cousin, Princess Alexandra.

In 1952, David instead became engaged to Newport, Rhode Island, heiress Virginia Fortune Ryan, whose maternal grandfather was the Jewish-American financier and philanthropist Otto Kahn.

But the emerald and diamonds engagement ring had to be speedily changed owing to a family superstition. "An Ogilvy and green should never be seen". "This dates back to when the Ogilvys wore green kilts in a disastrous battle against the Lindsay clan", he said.

The countess, a Lady of the Bedchamber, often cycles to work at the Palace

Long before his appointment as Lord Chamberlain, the Airlies were able to attract a full muster of five members of the Royal Family at St Margaret's, Westminster. As a wedding gift the bride's parent gave them a Regency terrace house in Chelsea.

Friends maintain that the witty and unconventional Ginnie Airlie knocked any residual Scottish dourness or shyness out of her husband. She has proved a devoted wife, mother of six, dinner-party hostess, Highland reels dancer and ... beat-the-traffic cyclist. Indeed she often pedals her old boneshaker to Buckingham Palace where she is one of the Queen's two Ladies of the Bedchamber, the first American to hold such a senior royal appointment.

The earl claims that he changed from gentleman farmer to merchant-banker as the result of a riding accident. He spent several months in hospital recovering from a broken back with plenty of time to reflect on his future. On joining J. Henry Schroder in 1953, he said with aristocratic understatement: "We all have to make a living now".

By 1961 he was promoted a director of Schroder Wagg and became chairman 12 years later. Since 1977 he has been chairman of the holding company, Schroder's Plc.

Airlie's father died in 1968 leaving him a 69,000-acre estate in Angus, plus two exquisite stately piles nine miles apart, Cortachy Castle and Airlie Castle. Just as American railroad heiress Consuelo Vanderbilt's fortune has helped to preserve the Duke of Marlborough's Blenheim Palace so the Kahn/Ryan millions have kept the Airlie treasures largely intact.

David Airlie's own buccaneering ancestry means that although he was designated the thirteenth Earl he is *de facto* only the eleventh Earl because of Jacobite war-mongering 250 years ago. The fourth and fifth Earls were attainted by Parliament, thereby losing their lands and titles, for joining the 1715 and 1745 rebellions. Both were later pardoned.

Now aged 58, Airlie can expect to spend the next 10 years as Lord Chamberlain. It will be a period which might see the weddings of Prince Andrew and Prince Edward, and myriad family christenings. He is naturally reluctant to discuss in any detail his plans while his predecessor, "Chips" Maclean, 68, is still in office. The pair are old friends, served in the same regiment and Airlie succeeded him as Scotland's Chief Scout (and indeed remains the Scouts' treasurer).

The Lord Chamberlain's post is probably the most delicate appointment the Queen makes, as it involves almost every aspect of her public and private life. Airlie therefore begins with the advantage that he and Ginnie are already closer to the Royal Family than recent predecessors, namely Lords Maclean, Cobbold, Scarbrough and Clarendon.

For many of us the job's most controversial function was as a sort of constitutional Mary Whitehouse. From Elizabethan times the Lord Chamberlain was entrusted with powers to license public playhouses and censor lewd and seditious plays.

But the new liberated moral climate of the 1960s led to their abolition in 1968. It was as much a relief to the censors as to West End impresarios. Alas, Lord Airlie will be unable to peruse these banned or bowdlerized scripts as they were recently moved to the British Library in Bloomsbury.

He has until December to rehearse ceremonially walking backwards

The 15-person team he will inherit at St James's Palace is headed by the Comptroller Sir John Johnston. Among the many duties they will retain are the administration of the Queen's Ecclesiastical and Medical Households, prompting the wry comment that if Her Majesty develops a *headache*, the Lord Chamberlain rushes to her bedside.

But it is the slogging responsibility for the four royal residences, the Crown Jewels, the royal art collection, not to mention the Queen's swans which monopolise their time.

The Lord Chamberlain also chairs the committee which awards royal warrants and keeps a steely eye out for copyright infringements of the royal coats of arms (remember the Royal Wedding souvenirs?) Traditionally he has a bantering relationship with the Garter King of Arms as to who is the final arbiter on matters arising from titles and precedence.

Airlie has six children ranging from 29 to 13. The heir Lord Ogilvy, 26, married to newspaper magnate Viscount Rothermere's daughter Camilla, works for an American Old Master dealer. "David will eventually take over the running of the estate in Scotland", says his father. "I go up there as frequently as work allows. I enjoy my shooting".

Meanwhile the new Lord Chamberlain has until December 1 to rehearse the tricky business of ceremonially walking backwards. For at State banquets, the Lord Chamberlain, flanked by the Lord Steward, always precedes the Queen into the dining chamber, ensuring that he never turns his back on the sovereign.

Richard Compton Miller

Lord Airlie: The realm's new custodian of pomp and ceremony.

FINDINGS

A series reporting on research:

FIBRE OPTICS

Measuring body heat

It was in the last century that Michelson showed it was possible to measure distance with light by bouncing a beam off an object and observing changes in its waveform. But *only* recently have scientists been able to turn this and other properties of light to practical advantage by building fibre optic sensors.

Michelson interferometers have been built to measure pressure, temperature, strain, speed and rotation. Other devices which depend on measuring changes in light as it runs through a fibre optic line have been constructed to sense the level of liquids in a tank, the strength of electric fields and the presence of magnetic ones.

Although fibre optic sensors are at present more expensive than their electric and mechanical counterparts, they score on a number of points. Light is normally unaffected by electric or magnetic fields and it does not produce sparks which could ignite inflammable materials, an important bonus for industry.

One of the more ingenious sensors had been designed by an American company called Luxtrom. The company has produced a probe which can be inserted into a patient's body to measure the temperature of different organs. The probe consists of a length of fibre optic cable with a small piece of phosphor at its tip.

In order to take a reading the phosphor is energised by ultraviolet light passed down the cable. The beam of UV light *causes the phosphor to give off* its own light which is detected at the far end of the tube. The detector looks not for the amount of light radiated from the phosphor, but the proportion of red and green light, which depends on its temperature.

A sensor based on similar principles has been built by the Swedish engineering company, ASEA. ASEA's probe uses gallium arsenide at its tip which is energised by infra-red light. Gallium arsenide, which is used in fast chips, is not only *sensitive to temperature*, but also to vibration and mechanical stress. ASEA uses its sensor to measure the temperature inside large transformers.

Four TV sets down the line



Telephone subscribers in eight German cities are being treated to a massive display of advanced telecommunications services in an experiment code-named Bigfon.

The Bundespost, Germany's telecommunications authority, in partnership with commercial firms, is testing the feasibility of using fibre optic cable to carry services like facsimile, teletext, videotex and videotelephony directly into people's homes. Subscribers can also receive TV and radio programmes via their fibre optic links.

In Munich, where Siemens is testing the system in 28 homes, enough cable capacity has been provided to enable participants *to run four television* sets simultaneously, each showing a different programme. Alternatively they can listen to four different stereo broadcasts at once. The programmes are supplied from a central switching centre.

Each Munich home connected to the network is equipped with 16 digital channels all operating at 64,000 bits per second, *the equivalent of 16* ordinary telephone lines. The channels, which can be combined to form larger ones, carry the telephone signals. The video signals are carried on separate FM circuits.

The Bundespost has also provided equipment to connect to the network: digital telephones, video cameras, special television sets, decoders and programme selectors.

By 1986 some of the experimental networks should have been linked together to provide long distance video telephone connexions. Eventually, Bigfon may form the basis of a nationwide high bandwidth digital network, known in telecommunications circles as an integrated services digital network.

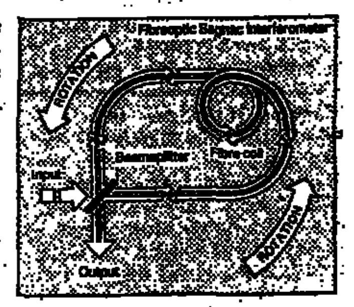
More calls over the Atlantic



This month, contracts will be signed for the construction of the first transatlantic fibre optic telephone cable, linking Britain and France with America. The £238m project will involve 29 organizations and should be complete in 1988-89.

TAT 8, as it is called, will be able to carry 40,000 simultaneous telephone calls. Although the basic capacity of the cable is only 8,000 calls, the volume of calls it can carry will be increased fivefold by digital techniques which switch calls from one line to another and slot them into gaps in other conversations.

The missing connexions



In an effort to determine how reliable fibre optic components sold for use in process control and short range comunications are ERA technology has been conducting a series of tests.

ERA found that connectors which join cable to its associated equipment failed 10 per cent of the time, while not one set of transmitters or receivers were *entirely immune from* radiation. The tests were based on standards set by the British Standards Institute.

The report, Environment Characterisation of Fibre Optic Hardware is available from ERA Technology, Cleeve Road, *Leatherhead*, Surrey *KT22* 7SA.

Guiding light on land and sea

Aircraft, ships and missiles of the future may be guided by fibre optic gyroscopes, based on the Sagnac interferometer in which two beams of laser light are loosed off in opposite directions around a fibre optic ring. The beams are created by a beam *splitter which recombines* them. If the ring moves at all during the trip, the movement will alter the phase of the two beams which will show up when they are recombined.

John Lamb

An arresting performance

moreover ... Miles Kington

People who do very unusual jobs indeed

No. 19: A Police Drama Coach

Inspector Antelope is the only policeman I've ever met who calls everyone "Darling". He has long eyelashes and wears a T-shirt showing the badge of the Met, plus a slogan saying "Met by Moonlight". It's his job, among other things, to train policemen on decoy duty.

"Some of these young things they send off to West End clubs and Piccadilly Underground to entice males into soliciting them – well, it's pathetic. They flap their wrists and mince around and think they look attractive. One might as well send out Hinge and Brackett to get an arrest, darling. I have to shake all that nonsense out of them.

"It's my job to teach them that that stereotype is way, way out of date. Gay people today look terribly severe – short hair, perhaps the one ear-ring and *those terribly depressing little* moustaches which make you want to get your secateurs out and so some dead-heading. This sort of thing."

He opened a small box marked Facial Fuzz and produced a small moustache. He whipped off his eyelashes and put it on, then stared at me till I felt uneasy.

"See? Sort of a tidied-up cowboy. Whereas *this* sort of moustache is heterosexual, bar-room rugby player's moustache – sort of cowboy run to fat."

Adopting another moustache and letting his facial muscles relax, he turned before my very eyes into the sweaty, puffy kind of leering pub hearty that gives masculinity a bad name. He assaulted my ribs with his elbow and said: "I picked up a right raver in the West End on Saturday – she was a goer and no mistake. So after a couple of pints..."

"Yes, yes," I said hastily. "*But what about the actual* drama coaching?"

"Depends what it's for," said the inspector. "West End gay work takes some time. Training a man as a drug addict is easier."

"Why would you want to do that?"

"To trap a doctor into selling him drugs, of course. Then we might have to train him as a villain, a skinhead, a National Front member, or politician – one of the junior members of the Cabinet is a pupil of mine, and very useful he's been too. He always says that Mrs Thatcher could have gone straight to the top of our world."

"As Commissioner of Police?"

"Well, no – as boss of the East End underworld, actually."

Antelope's training programme started nearly twenty years ago, when police officers, infiltrated into pop festivals to check the drug scene, had to be turned into hippies. He dug into his box again and produced a long droopy moustache which he fondled nostalgically.

"This belongs to a bloke that I trained so well that when he got back on duty, he couldn't readjust. He used to arrest people and then let them go, saying, 'That's cool, man – you do your thing and I'll do mine'. Much more fun coaching people to be hippies than pickets."

"The police are being trained as pickets?"

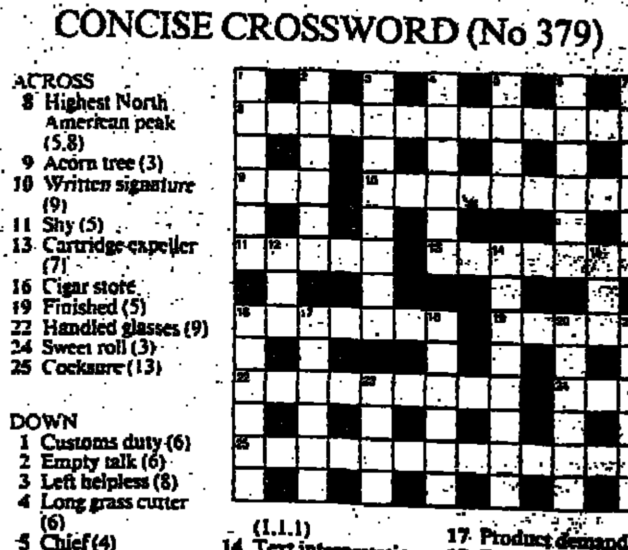
"Of course. If you see a miner on TV screaming at his colleagues to get the bastards in blue, odds are he's one of ours – one of mine, probably. What makes me weep is when you see *a policeman using* a truncheon on TV, beating a miner over the head. He doesn't realize he's probably bashing a colleague. Anyway, a policeman should never, *never* use a truncheon when cameras are around. He should use his boots instead."

To my surprise he then put his eyelashes back on again and leant forward, putting a hand on my knee.

"But all this talk of shop is boring. Tell me something about yourself, darling, and the big glamorous world of Fleet Street."

Luckily, I had already noticed the concealed mike, video camera and two-way mirror in the interview room. Not wishing to be trapped into anything, I slapped his wrist, made an excuse and ran for it.

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 379)



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22 Handled glasses (9)
24 Sweet roll (3)
25 Cocksure (13)

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BOOKS

Many wonders, but few more wonderful than myth

James Fenton reviews an encounter with Antigone

ANTIGONES
By George Steiner
Oxford, £15

George Steiner is right to argue that the *Antigone* of Sophocles holds a special and privileged place in the history of our literature and thought. Indeed, I am sure there will be readers who remember the sense of initiation into adulthood that accompanied the first reading of Greek tragedy, the excitement of the relationship between teacher and pupil, as the one leads the other into the presence of the supreme masterpieces of what our educational system used to consider the supreme literature.

For the pupil, these early encounters with great art will always tend to be the reverse of critical. It is the pupil who will be judged by his response to the text. The summits of art are like awesome courtrooms into which we are brought, by our teachers, to be tried. Never again in our lives will we have such a strong prediposition to admire. And, if we have good teachers, there will be double pleasure in this admiring, since it is not merely a way of telling ourselves "now we are entering adulthood"; it is also a way of thanking our teachers.

What Professor Steiner retains in his writings, and what gives them their unique flavour, is an eternal sense of teacher and pupil standing together before the masterpiece.

The teacher-Steiner is fond of emphasizing how many books have been written and yet how little we know, how much has been lost, how impossible it would be to master a single branch of scholarship to any satisfactory degree. The child-Steiner responds by making enormous lists, by counting up the number of versions of *Antigone* there have been, by doing more reading in the tradition of this particular myth than the teacher-Steiner has the right to expect.

Now the teacher-Steiner emphasizes that the important thing to do is not merely to make lists, but to establish the canonical texts, the important moments in the history of thought and feeling, the significant figures: Hegel, Heidegger, Kierkegaard, Hoelderlin – these gigantic sensibilities, stern judges indeed. But by the time the child-Steiner appears to have mastered the canon, the teacher-Steiner, we may be sure, will have moved on. Scholarship is not, for this pair, an activity which will lead to some finite measureable achievement. It is an activity which takes place eternally in the world of the impossible. The jealous teacher will not let the child grow up.

So, here is the latest extraordinary work from Professor Steiner's pen. It is not a particularly long book, but it is dense with reference and difficulty, written in terms of a rhetoric which is very often captivating, sometimes quite infuriating. The subject is the way the play *Antigone* has been read over the centuries in Europe, and what has been made of it. But if you went to this book for one or two obvious pieces of information, you would find yourself referred elsewhere. For instance, it might be interesting to hear the full story of Anouilh's *Antigone* and the attitudes to its performance in occupied France. But this story is referred to rather than told. To tell it would have been too obvious.

One gets, with Professor Steiner, a very strong sense of significant individuals, and of texts. But with history and with societies, he becomes impatient. Individuals call out to each other across the ages. They do not seem really to belong to societies – although they might, for the purposes of myth-making, have an attitude to the polis. So, Heinrich Boell is commended for his subtlety in using the Antigone myth in connexion with the Baader-Meinhoff case. But the commendation is so sketchy as to make one wonder whether Steiner is really interested in the profound implications of the comparison (A comparison which, as he mentions, caught on like anything in West Germany). The difference between Boell and Steiner is that the former, whether rightly or wrongly, is arguing an immediate political issue as a responsible citizen of a country; Steiner can't help turning it into an aesthetic issue. Politics turn to rhetoric in his hands.

The wilful character of Steiner's discussion at moments when one feels qualified to argue the toss with him makes one wonder, sometimes, about the value of his guidance into the remoter areas of thought. Of Verdi: "*Otello* is arguably, *Falstaff* is most certainly, superior to its source in regard to dramatic concision and emotional 'adultness'." This is not, surely, an adult way to argue, inserting quotation marks at every moment when your case most needs *defending*. But then, Shakespeare does produce some odd feelings in Steiner, perhaps because of the notorious difficulty in making general remarks about tragedy which apply, in any sensible way, to the English contribution to the tradition.

At the centre of the book is a contention that the Greek myths have been so fundamental to our thought that, with one and a half exceptions, no new myths have been added to the basic stock. The exceptions are Don Juan (a fundamental myth because recognized as such by Kierkegaard – about whom Steiner writes extremely well) and Faust (which is not really an exception because there is an element of Prometheus in him).

Now Steiner can maintain this position first because he has (for reasons I do not understand) excluded all the Jewish-Christian elements in our tradition of thought, thereby cutting out most rival sources of myth. Secondly, because of his definition of myth, which seems to be a story which is taken up and passed from author to author in different versions, like the Antigone story. Shakespeare is disallowed as a creator of myths, because according to Steiner there has not been a plethora of *other* Hamlets, other Lears, other Macbeths. But, of course, (a) Sophocles had a head start on Shakespeare, and (b) Shakespeare's plays were in fact immediately transformed by subsequent theatrical tastes and authors. In another mood, in another context, Steiner could and would have argued this beautifully.

There is, finally, in the third section of this book, a reading of *Antigone* itself, which is prefaced by a disclaimer on the part of the author to any depth of knowledge of Greek, but which hardly seems to expect its modest demeanour to be taken at face value. The child-Steiner is at pains to convince the teacher-Steiner that he has, in the matter of homework, over-fulfilled his norm once again.

In this context, I should like to suggest that it was unwise of the author to take his analysis of the origin of theatre so insistently back to the origin of language itself, at the conscious expense of ritual. To claim to know how a phrase might strike an audience, without telling us anything of serious value about the audience itself, and its rites, is a most peculiar procedure. After all, the Athenian tragedy was an evolved form of ritual, and this particular tragedy is about whether a particular ritual should or should not be performed. To leap over this argument back to the primal meeting of man and woman, old and young, language and misunderstanding – well, it is to ignore a very great deal.

There *was* a social world which produced *Antigone* the play; there was not merely the judging genius of Sophocles. When Professor Steiner tells us that in December 1943, the Germans killed off all the males of the village of Kalavrita in the Peloponese, and that the women, in defiance of orders, went in a group to mourn for and bury the dead, it does not strike me (as it strikes Steiner) that life was responding to and indirectly remembering art. It strikes me that the women of that culture were the heirs of the same culture that produced the ritual Antigone insisted on performing – the burial of dead menfolk.



George Steiner tells us what to make of the Antigone myth

Some sharp personal records of the clan

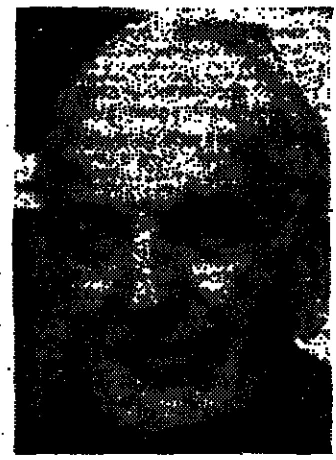
Fiona MacCarthy

FACES OF PHILIP
A Memoir of Philip Toynbee
By Jessica Mitford
Heinemann, £9.95

In a typical episode of everyday incompetence, Philip Toynbee, on a visit to London in old age, took two buses going the wrong way and had to endure a long tube journey in rush hour before eventually succeeding in locating and buying himself a computerized chess-challenger with which he was delighted. A story which, told in a spirit of self-mockery, with its happy ending in the realms of new technology, with promise of interminable games-playing, reveals much that was both best and worst about the nature of this childlike and endearing and infuriating person.

Why were his friends, few of whom were fools, so willing to put up with a man who was a maddeningly volatile idealist, veering from Communism to religion, in life as in London often taking the wrong buses, and apt, in the mood, to be sick upon your carpet? Why did every girl in sight fall for the attractions of a figure whose appearance was curiously battered ("like a statue that's been out in the rain", wrote Ivan Moffat), not improved by a late blossoming of acne, and whose language of clothes was very nearly incoherent? It was surely not just sex appeal: or S.A., as Philip's rather dim-witted mother quaintly called it, a term marvellously redolent of pre-war misspent youth. There was indeed more to him, for his friendships were enduring, as Jessica Mitford, in her vivid and compulsively readable short memoir of one of the key figures of that tragi-comic generation, convincingly points out.

She is in a unique position as a memoir writer having, if not actually cleared up a large puddle of Philip Toynbee's vomit from Rutland Gate Mews sitting room, at least done her best to conceal it with some newspaper: an experiment which was, I fear, not totally successful. This is the biography of shared experience, the sum of her own long-enduring friendship with her subject, dating back to her first marriage in the thirties to Philip's fellow rebel Esmond Romilly, popularly known as Winston Churchill's Red Nephew, whose magazine *Out of Bounds* he worked for heatedly (if briefly) on the run from Rugby, in the vain hope – another wasted bus-ride – of fomenting revolution in England's public schools.


Philip Toynbee, 1981

This is a domestic, not a literary memoir. The approach is partisan. It is amateur biography in the best tradition of Frances Partridge's *Julia* and Harold Acton's memoir of Jessica's own sister Nancy Mitford. These are the personal records of the clan, drawn up from such prime sources as Philip Toynbee's correspondence with Esmond Romilly, which turned up unexpectedly in yet another of those long-forgotten suitcases; from interviews and correspondence with his wives and children; from the useful and huge cache of obituary material awaiting the biographers of all lost hons and rebels – the compilation of one another's obits, which get posted to and fro for comment and amendment, being evidently a great preoccupation of past revolutionaries in the twilight of their lives.

Miss Mitford though affectionate is never sentimental. This memoir has the bracing tone one would expect from the author of *The Making of a Muckraker*. She is perfectly capable in death, as face-to-face, of telling Philip Toynbee not to be so silly. She is after all a professional questioner and her role in her life as licensed "Mocker" has helped her in her task of doing a post-mortem on his puzzling contradictions. His ability, in youth, to be at one and the same time Communist Party member and a spare man at deb dances, staying on Party orders in the cottage of an unemployed miner with his white tie and tails secreted in his suitcase, ready to go off for the weekend at Castle Howard. In old age, more inexplicable if anything, his shift from a life of urban scepticism to a form of ruralism so emotional that friends who went to visit him were terribly embarrassed. One of the worst aspects of his phase in the Welsh commune – which Jessica Mitford was not at all in tune with – was his sudden urge to grapple with tasks for which he was by temperament and training monumentally unsuited, such as the practical problems of cutting down the apple orchard to provide a pasture for the cow.

Philip Toynbee with his clown face. His fang tooth. His long lunging body: not for nothing was he nicknamed Plunger Abrahams, plunging as he did into parties, beds, and causes. (His passes at girls were also said to have been plungelike). His soda-siphon laugh. His lugubrious expression of immense self-deprecation. The physical presence in this book, as in no other memoir I can think of, is perculiarly real and poignantly expressive. It is wonderful to think of him, for instance, singing *Waltzing Matilda* as he often did when drunk in a frenzy of nostalgia for his Australian forbears and the simple life of the swagmen and the bushwhackers along the Wallaby Trail.

Nobody can tell the end

FICTION

John Nicholson

HIM WITH HIS FOOT IN HIS MOUTH AND OTHER STORIES
By Saul Bellow
The Alison Press/Secker & Warburg, £8.95

MEDITATIONS IN GREEN
By Stephen Wright
Hamish Hamilton, £9.95

The oldest of the five short stories which make up Saul Bellow's new book was first published a decade ago. Rapped knuckles then for those critics who have described *Him with His Foot in His Mouth* as a sequel to *The Dean's December*. But the two do fall together naturally, as markers of a new depth of excogitation, both retro- and introspective, in a writer who has never been exactly skittish. Not that Bellow lacks a sense of humour, even when (as often, in this collection) his thoughts are focused on eschatology:

The amateur internist in me diagnosed hypertension – 250 over 165 were the numbers I came up with. His inner man was toying with a stroke as the alternative to jail.

Bellow actually leans less heavily on humour than say Philip Roth or Joseph Heller: but he is a very Jewish writer. He is also an intellectual and, whenever he can get away with it, a loyal Chicagoan. He dotes on the Windy City, for its climate, its Low Life ("Much knowledge of such (criminal) happenings was in Tanky's looks, in the puffiness of his face – an oedema of deadly secrets"), but above all for its mongrel immigrant population.

Against this background Woody Selbst, 60-year-old tile contractor (offices, lobbies, lavatories) poses the book's central question: "What do you do about death?" In Woody's case, it's the death of his father, and his answer is to climb into the hospital bed in the forlorn hope that the warmth of his body will prevent the heat leaving his father's. This after a lifetime of being betrayed by and having to cover up for the old man.

Several of the major characters in this collection find themselves struggling to accommodate still iridescent minds in rapidly fading bodies. Shawmut, the retired musicologist protagonist in the title story, has been at the mercy of his own cleverness all his life. A pathological deliverer of wounding one-liners, he is duped and bankrupted by his own brother. Families and finance are two of Bellow's favourite themes, and Ijah Brodsky, the central figure in my favourite of these stories, is perhaps the quintessential Bellow hero: a scholar who succeeds without effort or personal taint in one of the grubbier reaches of the real world. Brodsky is a financial analyst who dashes off his forecasts in the first hour of the day, and then turns with relief to a monograph on nineteenth-century Siberian ethnography.

Bellow's skill at flattering his readers' intellectual vanity is an important ingredient in his success. His teasing is another. A minor character makes oblique reference to an event, off-stage and often in the past. Ten pages later it is mentioned by a more significant figure, and the experienced Bellowists realizes something is afoot. But it may be another ten before they discover what.

Brodsky reflects that the principle characteristic of our existence is suspense. "Nobody – nobody at all – can say how it's going to turn out." So with these stories, which are as satisfying as anything Saul Bellow has written. If there is a better living writer of fiction, I'd very much like to know who he or she is.

In another week, Stephen Wright's *Meditations in Green* would have deserved more attention. James Griffin, an Intelligence Corps conscript in the Vietnam War, interprets aerial photographs. Occasionally he is sent off with a ground patrol or required to witness an interrogation session supervised by Sgt Mars. The allusion may be heavy-handed, but there's nothing unsubtle about Mars's techniques, nor any question of his priorities when the base is overrun. Ignoring the hand-to-hand fighting, he makes straight for the Interrogation Building, where it takes just four clips of his M16 and a fragmentation grenade to conclude the interrogation. The story of Griffin's transformation from fresh-faced College boy to crippled junkie is a brilliant piece of anti-war propaganda, much blacker than *Catch-22*, more credible than *Dispatches*. Parts of it call for a strong stomach, but there will be no better book written about this loathsome war.

Poet, joker, intellectual and Pseud

Philip Howard

SWALLOW
By D. M. Thomas
Gollancz, £8.95

D. M. Thomas is in danger of suffering the fate, not of the darting swallow, but of the Oozlum Bird, which, you will remember, flies round and round in ever decreasing circles until it disappears somewhere fundamentally nasty. His last novel, *Ararat*, was a jig-saw of interlocking stories around the theme of poetic improvisation. It now transpires that *Ararat* itself was a poetic improvisation performed over five hours by its sexy Italian Corinna at an international Olympiad for improvisers held in Finland. As an art form such a contest makes as many demands on the stamina of the audience as a Noh Play, or ice dancing.

The Russian poets in Corinna's ad-lib performance, the other contestants, and their characters, perform an intricate dance of prose and poetry, reality and fantasy, Moscow and Washington. The deliberations of the judges at the Olympiad enable D. M. Thomas to mock the critics of his previous novels. Is the performance sexist and pornographic, or a dark tragedy of the human condition? Is it plagiariam, a charge that has been levelled at parts of Thomas's last two novels. One of the themes in this book is plagiarism, or the prose behind poetry. And the work "plagiarized" this time, not so much by quotation as by scandalous paraphrase, is *King Solomon's Mines*, with the introduction of necrophilia, cannibalism, and other goings-ons to turn poor Sir Rider haggard.

It is brilliant in parts; moving in parts; funny in parts; and pseud and silly in parts. But the parts never come together to make a coherent novel. *The White Hotel* was a pointilliste picture that should have won the Booker Prize. This is the gaudy pattern of a kaleidoscope. Thomas is partly our darting swallow; but he is also Oozlum Bird.

The corrosive secret of the plot

Elaine Feinstein

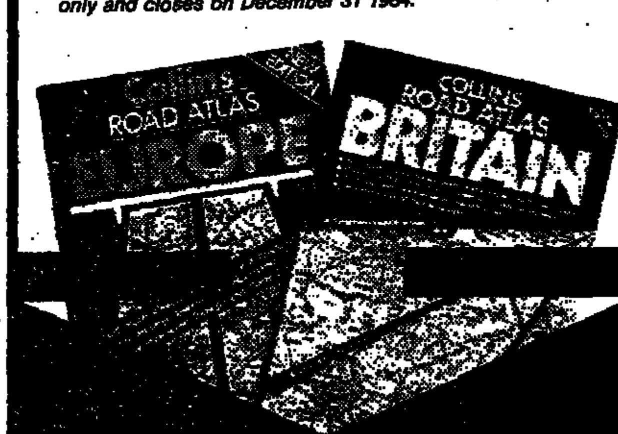
THE PORK BUTCHER
By David Hughes
Constable, £5.95

Kestner's has not been a happy life. His wife sees their marriage in acid retrospect from her deathbed. The only savour in his own existence for 40 years had been sundry tastes and textures: home-cured ham, potted pork, and sausages of his own making. His daughter, too, has known herself unloved by her husband. Indeed, she married only to escape her sense of some secret hidden away in her father and corroding him, so that only by a constant stream of bad jokes can he keep up the fiction of ordinary humanity.

That corrosive secret is the centre upon which the book turns; and it is a more complex matter than Kestner imagines when he sets out to recover it, once told he cannot expect to live more than a few months. And so it is that he loads delicacies into his car; and, with his daughter, sets out from Lübeck to confront, in the French village of Lascaud-sur-Marne, the most intense experience of love and horror of his own life.

But Europe has changed. Rather to Kestner's surprise, the French see Germans now only as customers. The famous church, at the centre of his own fiery torment, has been made over into a museum; and as he tries to ease his conscience with confessing his own part, it becomes very clear that such reminders are most unwelcome.

Invited (to the daughter's astonishment) into the politician's luxurious home he is given the clearest possible advice to press the matter no farther; his dogged persistence reveals he is linked uncomfortably to the Mayor by more than he could have wished. This is a short fierce novel, which rises to a superb dramatic climax, and in which only Kestner is allowed even an ambiguous sense of redemption.



THE TIMES DIARY

Simply harrowing

Touring the Royal Highland Show in Edinburgh last week, the Queen recognized one of her farm managers and left her official party to talk to him. The manager was standing beside a piece of agricultural equipment and the Queen, clearly impressed, asked him to explain how it worked. "How much is it?" she then asked. "£24,000 ma'am", he replied. There was a sharp intake of breath – "Who on earth would pay that much?" she asked. To which he replied awkwardly, "You just have, ma'am".

● **Despite all the principled fuss about not setting a rate, Liverpool city council is inviting ratepayers to start making a few down payments. Incredibly, a fair number have responded, Pavlov-like, and are turning up at the town hall chequebook in hand.**

Le Carré land

As speculation continues over the fate of Andrei Sakharov, Kremlin watchers now believe that rumours of his death may have been deliberately spread by the KGB. They began after a 30-second telephone call on June 1 to a journalist in Florence from, apparently, Sakharov's wife, Yelena Bonner saying "he is no longer with us". But searches show no record of any calls from Russia to Florence that day, and unspecified clues in the conversation suggest the call in fact came from London. One reason the KGB might want the West to believe Sakharov dead is that having been denounced by the western press, it could then triumphantly produce him alive and well. Another is that by showing Sakharov evidence that the world believes him dead, his morale could be broken and he might publicly recant.

Dear John?

The strained relations between *Private Eye's* "Dear Bill" collaborators, editor Richard Ingrams and John Wells, are nearing breaking point. Wells is insisting on performing his Denis Thatcher act at the Barbican next month with the London Symphony Orchestra – which Ingrams has mercilessly pilloried for years. Wells tells me he never reads the music gossip and, in any case, *Private Eye* is banned from his household because of its scurrilous gossip.

● **A new book, *Women at the Wire*, tells of the Greenham protestors' doleful summer last year. After the Tory election victory they were reduced to celebrating a full moon to raise their spirits. One admitted in her diary of May 12: "I am worried.... even *The Guardian* is slagging off Greenham at the moment."**

Premature

The urbane Edward J. Streator, US embassy minister in London under no fewer than three ambassadors since 1977, is at last to become an ambassador himself – to the OECD in Paris. I disclose this with some trepidation. Last year the *Sunday Telegraph* erroneously reported that he was to be the next US ambassador to Nato and an embarrassed Streator had to spend many subsequent hours replying to letters of congratulation.

BARRY FANTONI



'What a relief. For a moment I thought you were a member of the diplomatic community'

Unrepentant

Neil Kinnock was swift to refute a recent suggestion that he sponsored an alleged Soviet-front organization called the Friends of Afghanistan. Labour's defence and disarmament spokesman, Denzil Davies, is apparently not so sensitive. He is among about 30 MPs who signed a recent early day motion in the Commons supporting "the reforms initiated by the April 1978 revolution which advanced the rights of peasants and workers, particularly women." It was the same revolution, of course, that brought to power President Taraki, the Marxist who signed the Afghan-Soviet friendship treaty which brought in the first Russian "advisers".

The other half

Revelations continue of the way that leaders of the Socialist Republic of Islington – locked in dispute with striking nursery workers – have privatized the care of their own offspring. Like his leader, Margaret Hodge, deputy housing chairman Chris Bromley employs a live-in nanny for his sons, aged six and nine, who attend the fee-paying King Edward's Prep School in Hampstead.

PHS

As Enterprise Oil comes hesitantly to market

John Plender urges wider measures to spread the ownership of British industry

Let's all have a share of the action

One of the many things that distinguishes Mrs Thatcher's Government from previous post-war Tory administrations (though not from Labour ones) is the weight that it attaches to private ownership as a means of achieving political ends. Yet ministers are having remarkable difficulty in persuading private individuals to seize the opportunity thrown up by privatization to share in the ownership of national assets – witness the uneasy debut of Enterprise Oil this week.

Since Mrs Thatcher took office in 1979 private individuals have been net sellers of more than £13bn worth of shares, mainly to the insurance companies and pension funds. These institutions are, in effect, the chief underwriters not just of Enterprise Oil, but of the whole privatization programme, which so far as failed to slow the fall in the proportion of shares owned by private individuals. On some estimates as little as a quarter of all UK quoted shares by value are now in private hands.

While ministers have reason to be grateful for the safety net that insurance company and pension *fund underwriters place under* difficult isues like Britoil and Enterprise Oil, some are also beginning to recognize that the big investment institutions offer a neutered and sanitized form of ownership that confers little responsibility, and no sense of involvememt in the economy, on individual investors.

In today's polarized political climate the investment institutions appear uncomfortably suspended between the twin extremes of public ownership and fundamentalist capitalism – both implausible engines of the enterprise culture to which the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, was pointing in his recent Mais lecture.

In crude ideological terms the insurance companies and pension funds are thus tempting targets for irreverent Thatcherites. At a more sophisticated level, it is argued, a return to non-institutional ownership could add flexibility to the labour market; a share in the equity of Great Britain Ltd might make people more tolerant of shifts in the share of income from labour to capital and more responsive to changing market conditions, so reducing transitional unemployment.

In practice little has been done. Mr Alex Fletcher, minister for corporate and consumer affairs, has expressed enthusiam for share shops in the high street. Yet it is a moot point how many British stockbrokers would know what to do with a retail broking client, in a share shop or anywhere else.

While big US brokerage houses such as E. F. Hutton or Dean Witter derive anything up to 80 per cent or more of their revenues from retail personal customer broking commissions in branches across the country, British brokers have waxed fat on wholesale, predominantly London-based business from fast-growing institutions. The art of selling is, to put it euphemistically, underdeveloped in the British broking fraternity.

As for spreading share ownership through privatization, it seems a convoluted means to a subsidiary end. The need to find buyers for perhaps £3½bn worth of shares in British Telecom has admittedly encouraged merchant bankers Kleinwort Benson to take its BT sales campaign to private individuals with unprecedented vigour. But the bank does not claim to have found a wholly fool-proof way of overcoming the past tendency of private investors to sell out of privatized companies. Loyalty bonuses for holding the shares for a given period only defer the evacuation.

Giving the 16 million private subscribers of British Telecom the chance to nurse a solitary egg in a single investment basket (plus a discount on the phone bill) no more amounts to a policy on share ownership than the rag-bag of privatization stocks adds up to a balanced portfolio. And other government incentives, such as the Business Expansion Scheme, have been criticized because the investor ends up with a stake in only a restricted set of companies.

The structural changes now taking place in the City, which involve the abolition of minimum commissions on share deals, may help change the picture as brokers look for more personal customers in a more competitive climate. Clearing banks such as Barclays, which has forged links with stockbroker De Zoete and Bevan, have branch networks that can be used to approach a wider public.

Interestingly, experience in the United States suggests that retailers may provide a more effective route to expanding share ownership. While recently deregulated US banks have plunged into discount brokerage aimed at experienced investors, the biggest retailer in America – Sears, Roebuck – has started to sell shares to customers in its stores through its Dean Witter subsidiary. Of the Sears customers who have been opening brokerage accounts at the rate of several thousand a month, some 60 per cent are first-time brokerage clients – an apparent reversal of the similar, if less extensive, US trend towards institutionalization.

It is the tax system, however, that provides the chief explanation for the growth of institutional saving. And while Mr Lawson has put a modest damper on the process by removing life assurance premium relief in the budget, the key to marked change lies in attacking the much larger flow of money going into pension funds, and in providing direct incentives for individual share ownership.

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When talk is taboo: Richard Owen on a new Kremlin crackdown

Chernenko, walling out the West

Moscow

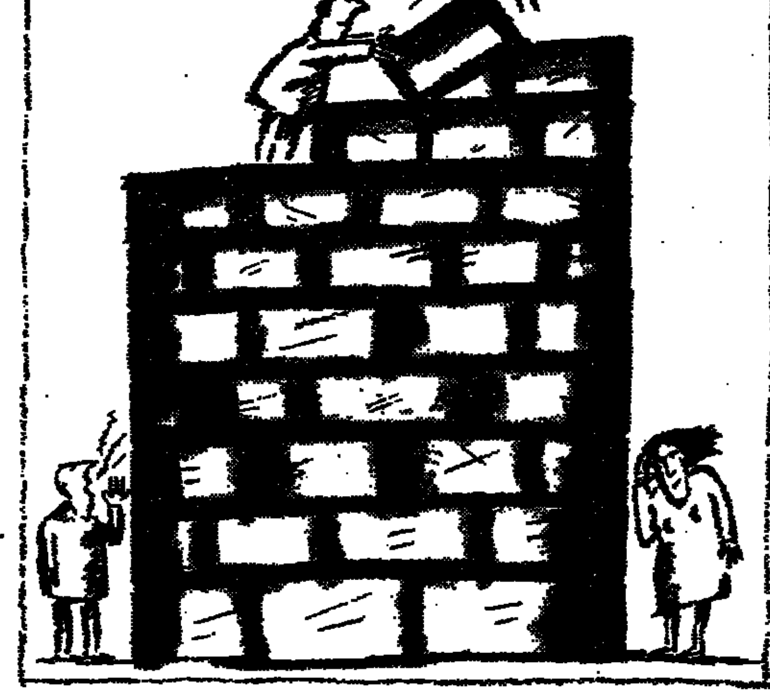
Marina is a young Russian girl with a lively sense of fun and little interest in Marxism-Leninism. She said as much recently to the Moscow youth paper *Moskovskii Komsomolets*, and sparked off an extraordinary public debate on her lifestyle, which largely involves drinking in bars and meeting foreigners. Sleazy, disgraceful, profoundly un-Soviet, fumed many readers, including a 20-year-old medical student. "People like Marina are my deadliest enemies", he wrote.

But for every sternly orthodox young communist there are those who hanker after a western lifestyle and find mixing with foreigners the next best thing. "I lived with my parents in England, Austria and Sweden", wrote 17-year-old Natalia, evidently from a diplomatic family. "I have seen the beautiful life abroad and understand that this is the only way to live". Natalia said she was going out with a West German, but was keeping it quiet in case it counted against her at school.

In similar vein Christina, aged 20, told *Moskovskii Komsomolets* she sought out western men in bars because Russian boy friends could offer her nothing. "Don't try and tell me there is a more interesting life than the one I lead. People have aspired to material well-being throughout history and they always will."

The Soviet authorities have long been worried by the influence on Russia youngsters of western life styles, including fashion, pop music and the anti-authoritarian attitudes that tend to go with them. But in the present chilly East-West climate, the Kremlin is clamping down with more harshness and determination than usual on contacts between Russians and foreigners, passing severe new laws in an attempt to eradicate any contact between Soviet citizens and westerners not approved by the authorities.

The Kremlin cannot of course prevent tourists from falling into conversation with Russians in Moscow or Leningrad, or from selling jeans and consumer goods to them. But a climate is now being created in which the first is becoming as illegal as the second. The message from the Kremlin under President Chernenko is loud and clear: those Russians who had begun to lose their fear of contacts with foreigners must be brought back in line. Russia is in an aggressively isolationst mood and the drawbridge is up. "Stop Marina!" said the *Moskovskii Komsomlets* article, adding that the authorities would be severe on any foreign students who came to next year's youth festival in Moscow with the idea of "forcing the values of the so-called free world on us".



The new rulings and warnings are aimed not so much at tourists, who have official guidance and schedules, as at foreign diplomats and correspondents resident in Moscow whose job it is to know about matters ranging from dissidents to Kremlin politics. Americans are a particular target.

Foreigners have been obliged to live in guarded ghettoes in Russia since the time of Ivan the Terrible. But recently new fences topped with barbed wire have gone up around foreigners' compounds in Moscow, and the police who guard the entrances have been instructed to vet Russian visitors more stringently, a move which intimidates Muscovites from entering at all.

The US embassy in Moscow is described almost daily in the Soviet press as a nest of spies and provocateurs, and the anti-American atmosphere has had an effect. Russians who used to walk their dogs on the pavement outside the embassy and pause to chat to diplomats now pass by fearfully on the other side. Leading Soviet writers due to attend a literary function at the US embassy this month were ordered not to go and were further instructed not to accept invitations to travel to the United States for at least six months.

The climate of intimidation makes it more difficult for journalists and diplomats to carry out their work, especially since one of the new laws makes it a crime to pass on to foreigners "information that constitutes a professional secret". The law, Article 13 of the criminal code of the Russian Federation, gives the police very wide powers, since almost anything is a "professional secret" in Russia, from the price of meat to the number of taxis in Moscow. Another new law, about to come into effect, imposes a fine of 50 roubles on citizens who invite foreigners to stay at their homes without informing the police.

For Mr Arthur Hartman, the US ambassador, there is only one possible response: A "refusal to tolerate harassment" of westerners and a firm threat of retaliation if westerners are victimized for contacting Russians. Mr Hartman this month warned the Kremlin that the United States was concerned about recent incidents involving American journalists, diplomats and tourists. Western diplomats said he was referring in particular to an assault on the American consul in Leningrad as he was leaving a restaurant after meeting a Russian, and to harassment of American correspondents, including two Associated Press journalists accused of failing to inform the authorities that one of their Russian contacts intended to defect to the West (the charge was denied). Tass said the journalists had "instigated and abetted the crime".

"What the new decrees mean", commented one diplomat, "is that Russians must not tell us anything, and if they do we must tell the authorities."

In practice contacts between Russians and westerners continue, and some Muscovites believe the current clampdown is a passing phase. The history of Russia's relations with the West certainly suggests that. But in the meantime the laws can be used to curtail legitimate political or commercial contacts as well as to stop young girls hanging around in bars. The message in both cases – as a former Soviet defector put it in a letter to *Izvestiya* at the end of May – is that Russia is better off closing the gates against the "nightmare" of life in the West. "I saw the horrors of capitalism with my own eyes", he told readers, having explained his defection as a Soviet trade official in Denmark and West Germany. "Without exception, anyone who leaves our country is headed for a poverty stricken existence. In the West there is no future."

Pit violence – down on the Rand

Johannesburg

South Africa's first major dispute between the white-run Chamber of Mines, to which the six main mining houses belong, and a recognized black mine workers' union was declared last week. Its outcome is being closely watched as a test of the strength of black labour militancy in this vital, and hitherto least unionized, sector of the economy.

The dispute has already claimed its first victims with the death earlier this week of one black mine worker, and injuries to four others, in rioting and clashes with police at a Natal colliery. The trouble was triggered by the chamber's decision last week to implement unilaterally a pay increase averaging between 13 and 14 per cent for blacks on both the gold and coal mines after this had been rejected by the fledgling National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), which is demanding 25 per cent.

The NUM which was recognized by the chamber only in June last year, and its young general secretary, Cyril Ramaphosa, now face a dilemma. Either he backs down and accepts the implemented wage offer as a *fait accompli*, and risks losing credibility among his own members, or else he sets in motion the long procedure for calling a legal strike, which in turn risks exposing the union's as yet limited support. The chamber may, indeed, want a fight with the NUM now, to be able to break it before it can develop into a real threat.

Most mine employers are only very recent, and grudging, converts to the notion that a credible trade union for black mine workers is a necessary part of a modern industrial relations structure. Many are itching for a chance to return to the pre-union era of paternalism backed when necessary by brute force and the mass deportation of recalcitrant workers to the tribal reserves, where they can easily be replaced from the large pool of unemployed black labour.

Founded in August, 1982, the NUM now claims the membership of some 70,000 of the 428,000 blacks working for the 34 gold-mining companies which are members of the chamber and the 56,000 who are employed in its 55 collieries. The NUM's own officials concede that not more than 15,000 are fully paid-up members, and that it is as yet recognized on only eight gold mines and five collieries. The chamber cited this narrow base of representation as justification for going ahead with the rejected pay offer.

The NUM's influence is greater than these numbers would suggest, however. Any agreement it negotiates with the employers inevitably becomes the norm for the entire industry, since it would be impossible to offer non-unionized workers less that union members. Nor can anyone be certain how many of the more than 400,000 mine workers who are not members of the union might come out in sympathy if a strike was called. Those who did would be doing so illegally under South African labour law.

To have organized a union at all in an industry where 97 per cent of the black labour force are migrants by law is something of an achievement. Black workers live in bachelor hostels on the mine compounds, and are forced to leave their families behind, either in South Africa's own tribal reserves, from which 60 per cent of them come, or in neighbouring countries such as Lesotho and Mozambique, which supply the balance of the labour force.

No one disputes the potential bargaining power of black mine workers in an industry that is so crucial to the health of the South African economy. Gold alone accounts for 45 per cent of export earnings, and furnishes the exchequer with its biggest single source of domestic revenue. The only question is whether Mr Ramaphosa may have committed his union to a trial of strength for which it is not yet ready.

It is his bad luck to be trying to establish the credibility of his union, and his leadership, at a time when the general economic climate and a depressed gold price are not conducive to big wage increases. Indeed, the latest pay offer is lower than almost any granted unilaterally by the chamber – admittedly starting from a very low base level – in the decade before the NUM came on the scene. Many blacks seem likely to ask themselves whether collective bargaining has brought any real benefits.

At the start of the 1970s the average pay of white miners was 20 times that of blacks. Last year whites earned on average 1,601 rands a month (£885) and blacks 286 rands, a ratio of only 5.6 to 1. But any real closing of the wage gap is impossible so long as blacks remain barred from the most skilled and senior jobs in the mines by a law laying down that only "scheduled person" – that is, whites – may obtain a blasting certificate qualifying them to handle dynamite.

The government has said that it is in favour of removing this racial bar to black promotion, but has left it up to the Chamber of Mines to negotiate its abolition with the deeply conservative, 23,500-strong white Mineworkers Union (MWU) led by Arrie Paulus, who continues to insist that he will never allow "other race groups to do the work of white miners". Pretoria has not been prepared to force the issue for fear of creating new recruits for the extreme right-wing Conservative Party of Dr Andries Treurnicht.

Even some of the government's own supporters feel that a little more boldness might now be in order. The extreme right-wing movement was shown to be less strong than had been thought by last November's referendum on the new constitution, which will give the vote to coloureds and Indians, and most white miners are probably Treurnicht supporters anyway. But the memory of the 1922 strike by white miners on the Reef, which General Jan Smuts eventually crushed by sending in the army, still haunts Afrikaners rather as the spectre of Weimar inflation still stalks present-day West Germany.

Michael Hornsby

Ronald Butt

Just the job – or one on top?

Mr Neil Kinnock apparently believes that the Government's weakest spot when the next election comes will be unemployment, and on this, if on nothing else, he is probably right. A government wins or loses elections more on the voter's memory of its successes, failures and attitudes during its period of power as a whole than on some such sudden action as a pre-election boom. The danger is that at the end of this parliament the electorate will remember that, if the restraints for which Mrs Thatcher asked and got support during her first parliament have been rewarded by a degree of economic recovery, this has not been accompanied by the expected fall in an unacceptable level of unemployment.

To say this in no way supports Mr Francis Pym's contention that the Government set too much store by the assault on inflation in its first term. If Mrs Thatcher had weakened on this, as he wanted, the long-term employment problem would have been still more acute. The attack on inflation and the employment shake-out were the essential prerequisites of the more productive economy on which rests the hope of more firmly based jobs.

But this does not mean the Government can afford, morally or politically, to rest on its policies and wait for the sunrise industries to generate prosperity in their own and other areas to increase employment. What looked like courageous facing of facts in the last parliament could look like callous indifference in this.

But what is the Government to do? It has rightly preferred to take micro-economic action where it could to deal with particular unemployment situations rather than attempt macro-economic stimulation of the economy with money in the hope of creating jobs. But 3,029,000 people are now registered as out of work, which is an all-time record. Most significantly, 1,200,000 have been without work for more than a year. According to recent Treasury forecasts, unemployment ought not to be rising now but it is. The school-leavers start to come into the figures from June onwards, which means sharp rises for the next three months. More to the point, instead of falling, the seasonally adjusted figures have been rising over the last six months by an average of about 15,000 monthly, despite recovery.

But there are deeper questions than that to be asked. Some ministers have long questioned in private the validity of the present employment statistics, doubting how far the 3 million unemployment figure really represents reality. In part, of course, the questioning relates to the operation of the so-called black economy. This is something that needs investigation, but nobody knows how to do it.

The black economy takes three forms. There are the people in a regular job who do extensive untaxed work in their spare time. There are those who work exclusively in the black economy without claiming benefit. There are those who work in the black economy while signing on. The probability is that the black economy exists more in the form of double-jobbing than in supplementing unemployment benefit with undeclared work. But even the former represents work which would be reflected in the employment figures, if it were done in an orthodox way.

Double-jobbing means, after all, that one man is doing, in addition to his own taxed work, a second job, in his spare time, which under a different taxation system might be done by someone else. That must affect the employment figures (quite apart from the effect on them of those who collect benefits as well as doing some work) and like much else it is a consequence of the present interaction of benefits and tax at a low threshold which produces the unemployment and poverty traps. It means that one man may do the work that might otherwise be done by say one and a half, and this concentration of more work into fewer hands bears a certain resemblance to what is happening in pay. The real earnings of those in work rise while the numbers without work rise also.

Then there are the sharp differences in kinds of unemployment. Thus in the north, where old industries are dying, those who worked in them too often have no alternative prospects whatever training is available, while in the south there are large numbers of unemployed who could benefit from retraining. So should money be devoted to training in areas of structural high unemployment, where old skills are no longer required if this diminishes the money available for training in the south where there is a more real demand for it? Certainly money should not be wasted in diverting jobs from one area to another with no net effect.

Again, how can London possibly be said to have the unemployment figures attributed to it when the hotels and restaurants of the capital are almost entirely staffed by foreign workers from the Mediterranean and farther afield because there are no Londoners able or willing to do the work, or do it at an acceptable price? Is it partly because they will not do this kind of work? Or is it because many of those available are of low-grade work potential who don't fit the jobs? I have heard a Cabinet minister say with some justification that, on the figures, there is no real unemployment in London; but if that is so, why is unemployment benefit paid?

Unemployment is not a single problem but a congeries of inter-related problems varying from place to place, industry to industry and age group to age group. These different components need to be separated so that what can be tackled is tackled. Tackling need not take the form of subsidies; it might take the form of tax-structure reform. We need to know how real the figures are, and what the target areas for action ought to be.

The Government clearly cannot rely solely on sunrise industries to solve the problem of the unemployed. If the impact of high American interest rates makes money dearer the Government's problem could become even harder.

But that is no reason for shutting eyes and hoping for the best. The Government's fate probably does depend more on jobs than on any other single question. The sooner the problem is analysed more closely the better.

John P. Harris

When agony was only a twinge

Answers to correspondence selected from The Girl's Own Paper, *1886-87.*

Josephine. – Your symptoms point to tight-lacing – red nose, spots, bad digestion, bad breath, etc. A fine woman with a handsome figure should measure 26 inches round the waist, and in later life 28. The modern girl, with a waist like a tobacco-pipe, and bulging out above and below like a bloated-looking spider, may solace herself with the assurance that her liver is cut in half, and that she would make an admirable specimen for a lecturer to descant upon. We advise her to bequeath her remains to some hospital for the benefit of science and the warning of others.

S. Mearer. – We do not recommend the profession you name. It is one of great temptation, and such a hindrance to spiritual life and progress. It is also exceedingly trying to the health.

Ella must put her name on her mother's card. Young ladies of twenty-one do not have separate cards.

Gladys. – A schoolgirl of fifteen should devote her thoughts and energies to her education. We suppose your parents are still paying for it, in which the duty is a still greater one; but in any case, even if you were of age (21), you ought to be ashamed of yourself for encouraging a silly, unreasoning love for a strange man. We do no know what "griffin-like style of beauty, awfully handsome" may be. That of some ferocious murdering bandit perhaps. You have no business to be looking at strange men, bandit or not.

G.S.E. – You should have asked for the address of the young man who paid for another ticket for you when you had lost your purse, and at once returned the money lent; and you should also have told your family of the circumstances, and of his having taken advantage of the favour rendered to speak to you on subsequent occasions.

Vis. – Your sister could certainly get a separation, and could protect herself and property from her worthless husband, and she could punish him if he were caught.

Blanche S. – We fear you are not qualified for the situation of companion, as you spell badly, your grammar is not always correct, and you write a very poor hand. There are nine mistakes in your letter.

Merle. – Certainly, two sisters may marry a father and son respectively. There is no law – Divine nor human – against it. Consult the table given in the Prayer Book. Had the son of your brother-in-law been your sister's son, naturally you could not have married your nephew; but this man is no relation to you.

Majorie. – Perhaps your canary is a female.

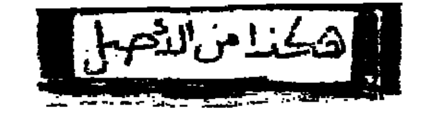
Jennie. – Whistling is not well-bred, practised by either man or woman. But in absolute privacy at home many things may be permitted, and this among them. At the same time we meet with certain rare instances in which it has been raised to a really beautiful art, and then it is sanctioned even in society as a curious accomplishment.

Hope, Eva, Elaine and Cecilia all send us manuscripts of verse to read, and, as usual, we find the same characteristics, ie lack of original thought, mere rhymed prose, and a general tendency to morbidness. But writing such things does no harm. Girls must have some outlet for their feelings.

Dalkeith lassie. – A servant should never knock at any door but a bedroom door. If there be no manservant to open a carriage door, the parlourmaid (who has to undertake the duties of butler, footman or valet) must do so. We are very glad that you and your fellow servants enjoy our paper. Your letter does you credit.

Toothache. – You ought to have the heartache as well as the toothache. The man who presumed to propose, and induced you to make him a promise of marriage, without obtaining your parents' consent, was highly dishonourable. And now that he wants you privately to take the final and irretrievable step, and to act like a traitor to your kind, unsuspecting parents, is behaving like a cowardly scoundrel, who ought to be horsewhipped. Confess all to your parents, and beg their forgiveness and protection from so base a man.

Sirena. – If you eat hot cake or buttered bread, of course take off one glove at afternoon tea.





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FROM TSAR TO COMMISSAR

Insecurity is primarily a state of mind and not a state of affairs. The Soviet system, based on the ideology of Marxism-Leninism is inherently insecure. Insecurity is central to its rhetoric and its practice. It will not be secure, in the psychological sense, until it has eliminated all challenges to its power. Since that power has never been legitimized in the ballot box, and presupposes the absence of intellectual disagreement, it can never rest until it has eliminated both the capacity to challenge its power and the existence of individual minds with the freedom to question its premises. So long as there are individuals capable of free thinking, therefore, Marxism-Leninism will be under threat and it will be insecure. So long as it refuses to expose its system to the ballot box, and to recognize the possibility of the loss of power through that procedure, it will remain justifiably insecure about its ability to hold on to power other than through coercive means. Marxism-Leninism will never, on principle, subject itself to the variables of the liberal democratic system which allows for alternative political arguments to gain the ascendancy while recognizing the possibility that they will also subsequently lose it.

In his speech yesterday to the Bow Group Mr Michael Heseltine reflected on the place of tyranny and insecurity in Russian history. He suggested that the roots of what we sometimes take to be "Soviet behaviour" originate to some extent in a permanent feature of the Russian experience combining an aptitude for tyranny with a sense of territorial insecurity leading to the permanent extension of the defensive perimeter. He accepts that the concept of "Holy Russia" has now been replaced by an atheistic ideology which provides a convenient political justification for permanent expansion.

Mr Heseltine suggested that the West's long term interest must be to encourage an increased sense of security in Moscow, in the hope that the Soviet leaders would direct more of their resources to the genuine interests of their people and their society. He returned to the theme once described by Lord Home when Foreign Secretary as based on the view that fat communists are less of a threat than thin ones. "Soviet prosperity and prosperity in Eastern Europe might just develop from the inside a structure which felt confident to experiment with a more liberal and de-centralized economic system", said Mr Heseltine.

There are dangers here. They spring from a natural desire in the West to see what is best in Marxism-Leninism and to hope, in the face of the evidence, that it is redeemable. There is also a danger in the argument that because Tsarist Russia at its worst was a tyranny, the Russians deserve and expect to live under a dictatorship. Indeed Mr Heseltine was ill-advised to take Peter the Great as his Tsarist model, ignoring the very considerable political liberalization which occurred under the Tsar in the ten years before the Bolshevik coup.

The question which must remain central to our relations with the Soviet Union and its client states in East Europe, is: have the Russian people made it so unpleasant because that is their tradition, or do they regard Marxism-Leninism as an alien imposition on the character of Russia as do the people of the Ukraine, Latvia, the Poles and all the other captive nations of the Soviet empire?

Governments must obviously deal with governments, but we should also recognize that no Communist Party can give us evidence of popular support behind it. The Soviet system speaks of peaceful coexistence, but that encompasses the notion of warlike coexistence as well. Soviet leaders take every opportunity to manipulate Western opinion and to appeal to Western peoples above the heads of their government. Mr Heseltine, echoing Lord Carrington's distaste for "megaphone diplomacy" is also keen to keep the volume down. But the West should remember that though the Soviet Government and its proxies are unelected, they have to respond to some public pressures, which they try to suppress.

Those pressures are at their most sensitive in Eastern Europe. As Europeans we should appeal to other Europeans across the central divide. The Soviets might eventually come to recognize that their own national security within Mother Russia would be enhanced, rather than prejudiced, by loosening control over their empire in Eastern Europe.

In Russia itself there may be a passivity, an absence of a democratic tradition, which is not surprising given the suppression of the past and the determination of the Communist Party to eliminate any vestige of democratic culture over the past sixty years. Patriotism can be mobilized in support of autocracy despite that oppression. We know that, but we also know that Russian society is not irredeemable. There are people and voices calling out from inside the Soviet fortress. They need evidence that we can hear them and that, because they clearly have not lost hope, we have not lost hope for them either.

MAKING A REAL MARKET

Europe's weapons of budgetary battle must now be beaten back into ploughshares. The "common market", the Community's *raison d'être*, is in urgent need of cultivation. The rusty wire of indefensible national rules and restrictions trips up Europe's businessmen; it impedes and distorts trade between members of the EEC. The first post-Fontainebleau priority for the European Community should be a revision course in its declared aim of a free internal market.

Europe cannot compete with the United States or Japan out of small and insular economies. The EEC as a whole makes up a market more than twice as large as Japan's, and not far off the economic scale of the mighty United States; but internal divisions hamper both industrial development and international trade negotiations.

In manufactured trade, though there has been progress, too many "invisible" barriers have remained long after tariffs came down. National governments have clung on to differing safety standards laid down in pettifogging detail, resisting progress to clear and uniform principle. Governments have blatantly abused health laws to keep out competitive products. They have developed different operational standards (eg, in telecommunications); they have failed to abolish customs barriers.

With so much still to do to free manufactured trade, Europe has hardly begun to open its service industries – in which, however, more than half of its citizens now earn their living. This imbalance is awkward and divisive. Mr Paul Channon, Britain's trade minister, points out that it is far easier to sell a German car in Britain than it is to sell British car insurance to a German. Since Britain continues to run a bigger trade deficit with West Germany than with any other economy, the British are bound to believe they should be entitled to earn more of their money back.

So, perhaps unsurprisingly, Britain is seeking to prove its European credentials by pressing for a freer market in services. It does not, of course, possess a public monopoly of European free trade virtue. The French and Germans are (at last) taking the lead in dismantling customs barriers; and it was they who took the lead in attempting the difficult destruction of Europe's internal currency barriers.

But it is not necessary to see this new European debate purely in terms of the horse-trading of national interests. The benefits of trade liberalization, unlike those of budgetary changes, do not flow to particular governments, but directly to Europe's citizens. They should make them, indeed, freer of national government control. Differing national qualifications, another device for restricting free trade in services, impede Europeans' ability to move around their Community in pursuit of their business, their profession, or to sell their skills. (And their governments' air fare cartel does its best to prevent them moving around Europe at all.)

What is needed is the maximum of deregulation by national governments, coupled with the minimum of reregulation by the European Commission. This is not an easy aim for governments to accept; it is, for example, very hard to loosen their grip on public procurement, through which they protect national industries from free competition. Nor does the Commission always prove up to the job laid down for it. Its new Europe-wide customs declaration is a classic of bureaucratic "simplification". On the other hand, national standards have been springing up like weeds in new industries simply because Europe was too slow in developing its own.

Yet progress is possible. This year Europe should sign and seal a safety directive which will simplify manufactured trade. But a new impetus is needed towards the creation of the kind of European home market that will provide a firm base for international competition in everything from telecommunications to financial services. Heavy with dying industries, suffering from rising unemployment, seemingly unable to generate strong economic growth, the last things Europe can afford are artificial impediments to internal trade.

TAMILS AND TERRORISM

President Jayewardene of Sri Lanka was asked in London this week about the parallels between the inter-communal strife in the North of his own island and that which has disfigured Ulster for the last 16 years – turning "Northern Ireland" into a generic term for an insoluble problem. He deftly deflected the point by demonstrating that Sri Lanka's troubles had not – in contrast to those nearer home – endured for a hundred years. But there are similarities of which his government is well aware.

As in Northern Ireland, last year's violence in Sri Lanka arose from the grievances of a discontented minority, (the 13 per cent Tamil population) and a Sinhalese majority which felt itself overlooked by 50m Tamils in Southern India. As in Ulster, the Sri Lankan government has since instituted reforms in an attempt to eliminate discrimination over university places and jobs in the public service.

"I ask the Tamils, what do you want?" said an exasperated Jayewardene. The truth is that they want all manner of things, from the kind of reforms which have already been instituted to a separate state and even, for some, a Marxist one. As in Ulster again there are certainly Marxist organizations who have found in the Tamil heartland of Northern Sri Lanka, a fertile field to cultivate.

The world loves an oppressed minority. Sri Lankan diplomats complain that one of the difficulties they face in Britain is the natural inclination we have to support the underdog. It is galling for Sri Lankans in Colombo to read of acts of terrorism which are undoubtedly being committed by militant Tamils in the North – and yet face the hostility of the world's press who never seem quite to get it right. British governments have been similarly outraged by the tendency abroad to glamourise the IRA and depict the Irish problem in simple colonialist terms.

But the Sri Lankans are already finding, as those British governments have found, that there is no simple answer. There is certainly no long term solution to be found by ignoring the rule of law. Perceptions abroad of the troubles on the island are only partly intuitive. They have also been inspired by reports from Sri Lanka and elsewhere, most notably from Amnesty International, which have pointed to serious violations of human rights.

The decision to refuse entry visas to two British MPs was also counter-productive. No doubt it was the political complexion of one of them, rather than the absence of the president (the official reason) which prompted it. But President Jayewardene has promised that they can enter on his return, so the mistake should soon be corrected.

Counter-terrorism requires, good intelligence, incisive policing and impeccable care for the moderate majority, upon whose support the gunman relies for his infrastructure. That is how to erode the base which Tamil militants are said to have built up in Britain to raise funds for the hit-men at home.

At present there is an uncomfortable feeling that most of the agony in Sri Lanka is being borne by the men in the middle of the crossfire. It is usually so. But Sri Lanka has to learn the lessons so painfully absorbed by Britain and others, that there are no short cuts and no simple solutions. Otherwise its troubles may not just be as perplexing as those in Northern Ireland, but also as enduring.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gambling on cost of pit closures

From Dr R. A. Bryer and Mr T. J. Brignall

Sir, Everyone agrees that "uneconomic" pits should be closed; the question is what does "uneconomic" mean?

The naive financial approach would compare full historic costs per tonne with current and projected selling prices. The sophisticated financial approach would compare current and projected replacement costs with current and projected prices.

However, as E. F. Schumacher (the Coal Board's chief economic adviser for many years) pointed out, conventional economic analysis is not applicable to coal because it is a non-renewable resource. Until we have guaranteed alternative sources of energy and know their costs we simply do not know what our coal reserves are "worth".

In this case market prices are a poor guide for making closure decisions, especially as it is virtually impossible to reopen pits once they have been closed. The correct criterion for closing a coalmine is that the energy expended in recovering its reserves will be greater than their energy content.

Current policy of simply exploiting the "best seams first" gambles that we will never regret leaving recoverable reserves in the ground.

To avoid the over-production of coal a corollary of slowing down the closure programme is simply the slowing down of the opening of new seams. Alternatively, demand for coal could be expanded by regenerating our manufacturing industry. Perhaps this is the best rationale for the coal strike.

Yours faithfully,
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T. J. BRIGNALL,
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Coventry,
West Midlands.

Need for partnership in conservation

From the Chairman of the Nature Conservancy Council

Sir, Your leading articles of June 22 and 27 are to be warmly applauded. There are, however, three strands in it which may benefit from further amplification.

The Nature Conservancy Council believes that the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is helpful and has encouraged fundamental changes in attitude both in the farming community and the general public, especially conservationists. Each party now is coming to realise that the other has legitimate claims on the countryside.

The new Act has some imperfections which need to be remedied quickly, because that very small minority who take advantage of certain loopholes must now be doing so deliberately, without any possible excuse of ignorance, in defiance of public opinion, the spirit of the law, and pleas for restraint so commendably pronounced by the National Farmers' Union and the Country Landowners' Association.

We need, however, to go further and forge a genuine partnership between farmers and conservationists. We, the NCC, are often attacked for taking too long over the renotification of the 4,000 or so sites of special scientific interest. One of the main reasons for this delay is the prolonged period needed for discussion between our limited staff and the 26,000 or so owners and occupiers.

Yet discuss we must, because only in this way is proper understanding created. The rewards from this approach are already beginning to appear, and the first steps towards partnership are beginning to be taken.

This brings me to my third point. Yesterday we launched our study, *Nature Conservation in Great Britain*. In it we review what has gone right or wrong for nature conservation in Britain since the war, and we then endeavour to outline how we see the way ahead till the turn of the century.

In this review perhaps the most striking feature is the appalling loss of many types of habitat in the wider countryside, though the sites of special scientific interest have been affected as well. This has come about largely through the financial structure of agriculture and the policy of maximising production.

We believe that nature conservation needs a prosperous agriculture, though not necessarily with the balance as it is today. We further believe that farmers should get their due reward not only from their produce but by being aided by appropriate fiscal and financial incentives which encourage them to do what is right by wildlife and its habitats, and which do not, as today, positively hasten the destruction of what is as much a part of our national heritage as our cathedrals, cottages and castles.

We are not primarily asking for additional money for the countryside but the redirection of existing funding.

Such a radical change in attitudes and policies will not be easy to achieve, particularly within the framework of the European Community, though perhaps here Britain can give some sort of lead. It is a quest, however, that must be pressed with determination since otherwise, despite everyone's efforts, by the end of the century, if not sooner, in many parts of the country there will be little left.

Yours sincerely,
W. H. N. WILKINSON, Chairman,
Nature Conservancy Council,
19/20 Belgrave Square, SW1.
June 27.

Giving the lie to gloom mongers

From Professor Stephen Cotgrove

Sir, There is nothing new about optimistic reports of the kind published by the Henley centre for Forecasting (feature, June 25). Following *Limits to Growth* and the equally influential *Blueprint for Survival* in 1972, a former editor of *Nature* published *The Doomsday Syndrome*. This was celebrated in *The Times* as an authoritative refutation of the gloom mongers. Yet the debate continues.

What is interesting is the way in which both optimists and pessimists choose experts and select evidence to support their rival positions. There is no mention in David Blake's review of pollution and acid rain, climatic changes from carbon dioxide in the upper atmosphere, massive deforestation and soil erosion as part of the long term price of increased food production. And why dismiss *Limits to Growth* as a polemic but accept the Henley Centre report as the last word?

Market mechanisms may well be able to deal with shortages by switching demand to substitutes. And science may possibly come up with technological fixes to replace exhausted materials. But these are not facts. They are all part of the cornucopian faith of the optimists.

Yours sincerely,
STEPHEN COTGROVE,
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Claverton Down,
Bath,
Avon.
June 25.

Morpeth rail crash

From Mr P. C. Woodall

Sir, The recent derailment of an Inter-City sleeper train at Morpeth (report, June 25) prompted officers of the emergency services in attendance to describe the lack of serious injuries as a "miracle".

Having spent the 1970s working in close proximity to Britain's railway engineers, I think it important to place on record the fact that the current design of Inter-City rolling stock is the result of many years' painstaking research into those design and engineering considerations which, above all, allow maximum possible passenger safety in the rare event of a collision.

Britain's railway coaches incorporate the most advanced structural design and a quality of construction and workmanship which helps maintain a world lead in a most competitive international market. A miracle may not therefore be the most appropriate description following the Morpeth accident.

Rail travel, measured in passenger miles, continues to be the world's safest transportation system – and deservedly so.

PETER WOODALL,
9 Andrew Close,
Littleover,
Derby.
June 26.

Fleet Street and NUM

From Mr John Hatt

Sir, George Holt (Chairman of the Joint Chapels at Times Newspapers) writes his letter (June 27) so that "the miners' voice is heard for a change".

If he genuinely wants the miners' voice to be heard for a change, he would better spend his time in encouraging Arthur Scargill to let them vote in a secret ballot.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN HATT,
53 Eland Road, SW11.

From Mr Richard Lambert and others

Sir, We wish to make it clear that, contrary to the impression given in the letter which you published today (June 27) from print union officials, many journalists do not support those miners who have gone on strike in the absence of a national ballot.

DAVID BELL,
GABRIEL BOWMAN,
SAMUEL BRITTAN,
SUE CAMERON,
DOMINICK COYLE,
IAN DAVIDSON,
ANDREW FISHER,
CLAY HARRIS,
MARGARET HUGHES,
JOHN MAKINSON,
PETER MONTAGNON,
CHRISTOPHER PARKES,
ROBIN PAULEY,
BARRY RILEY,
TERRY TYDEMAN,
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From Mr Greg Neale

Sir, I would like to clarify a point which has arisen as a result of the letter on the miners' strike published in *The Times* today.

One group of signatories to the letter were "members of the NUJ, Times Newspapers Ltd". While some of my members sympathise with the sentiments expressed in the letter I must in fairness point out that there are some who do not.

Yours faithfully,
GREG NEALE,
Father of the Chapel,
The Times NUJ,
200 Gray's Inn Road, WC1

From Mr David Lipsey

Sir, You carried today (June 27) a letter on the miners' strike, signed by George Holt, Chairman of the Joint Chapels at Times Newspapers representing, inter alia, members of the NUJ, Times Newspapers Ltd. As Father of the NUJ chapel at the *Sunday Times*, I would like to make it clear that neither I nor my chapel was consulted in any way about this letter which cannot, therefore, be taken as representing the views of the chapel's members.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID LIPSEY,
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Without benefit

From Mr David Pendrigh

Sir, On June 5 you published a letter from the Minister of State for Social Security about payment of retirement pensions during a strike at the department's payment computers at Newcastle. He advised that application for payable-order cases be made at one's local social security office, accompanied by the tear-off slip from the last payable order received.

In my case, this meant application to Irvine DHSS office (there being no local office on this island) to which I sent the required slip issued in March.

On June 12, I was told by Irvine it was necessary to have the approval of Newcastle but that a form if indemnity, if signed and returned promptly, could secure payment. The payment arrived on June 15.

What mainly concerns me now is that almost all other pensioners are being paid through post offices yet my wife's 13-weeks pension, due on or about July 8, seems likely also to be delayed like mine even if application is made locally, because of the unnecessary step of involving Newcastle as well.

Mr Boyson's letter to *The Times* did not mention this complication; nor were his department's arrangements advertised regularly in the national (Scottish) press.

Could not post offices have been authorised to issue payments by payable order too? After all, the sum built up over 13 weeks has been retained by the DHSS to its advantage – surely a disparity of treatment between one class of pensioners and the rest?

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
DAVID PENDRIGH,
Glen Mhor,
Whiting Bay,
Isle of Arran.
June 20.

Sale of vicarages

From the Archdeacon of Colchester

Sir, I am grateful to Mr John Hunter for his letter on June 20 and I can understand the emotion and sense of loss concerning the vicarage at Thaxted.

We must, however, face the facts of reality. For almost 20 years now the future of the vicarage at Thaxted has been under consideration as the church is forced to make the best use of its resources. The vicarage is an old, very large house, expensive to maintain and very expensive to run.

The ill-health and early retirement of the last incumbent, although regrettable, enabled the parsonages committee of the Diocese of Chelmsford to explore the possibility of a replacement. It so happens that such a house has come on to the market which will be very adequate for future incumbents of Thaxted.

The proposed new house, which is well built and well appointed, will be much cheaper to maintain and I believe will not place undue burdens of running costs on the occupant. I have no doubt that the proposed replacement house sited in the centre of the town and near to the church, will soon become a "focus" of Thaxted and "scene" from which the mission of the church will move forward.

Incidentally, the parochial church council have been consulted and voted, 11 in favour, two against and three abstentions, not to make objections to the Church Commissioners.

Yours faithfully
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Essex.
June 21.

Role of the polls

From Mr John Barter

Sir, Professor Roxburgh is quite right (June 26) in saying that NOP failed to predict the outcome of the Portsmouth by-election, but this is for the simple reason that we did not set out to do so.

A poll carried out nearly a week before the election sets out to show what people's voting intentions are *at that time*. Election after election has shown that large numbers of people change their minds, especially during the last few days. NOP have re-contacted 555 of the original 723 respondents, and their answers reveal large scale switching from both the other parties to the Alliance after they were interviewed first.

When we asked people on the recall survey how they actually did vote, the answers given matched the election result very closely, thus showing that our sample was a valid sample of the Portsmouth electorate, and presented a true picture of opinion a week before polling.

Because the survey was based on a quota sample other than a random one, the degree of uncertainty is not quantifiable – one can merely estimate it based on experience and on random sampling theory. Our sample was, in fact, 723, not "around 600" and in sampling theory it is this number which matters – it is irrelevant whether the total electorate is 80,000, 75,000 (the actual figure) or 30,000.

Given the results found, and the sample size, our estimate of error on each party's vote was around four to five per cent. As the differences between the parties were well outside this the *Daily Mail* did not publish the error estimates, though they always do if they are significant.

Unfortunately, our client's resources are not sufficient to permit a major replication exercise of the kind Professor Roxburgh suggests, but we would always be happy to do so if funding were available, though given the proven success of polls when conducted on the eve of an election such funding may be hard to come by.

Thus, in the case of Portsmouth, publishing predicted errors could have been of no relevance, the situation simply being that people, as so often before, changed their minds after the poll was conducted, which is precisely why we did not set out to produce a prediction.

Yours faithfully,
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Rising and falling

From Mr Bernard F. Sansom

Sir, Your headline, "Percentage of Oxbridge admissions from comprehensives falls", and the short piece on the front page, "Oxbridge places", both give a very misleading impression of the statistics in the article on page 3 (June 19).

For Oxford you reported that in 1977 only 466 of 1,154 applicants from comprehensive schools secured places, whereas in 1983 655 of 2,366 applicants were successful.

In spite of the fall in the proportion of successes from 40 per cent to 28 per cent the number of successful applicants therefore increased by 40 per cent. Surely that is nothing to worry about, and your comments can only be explained as a particularly perverse interpretation of Hutber's Law that "improvement means deterioration".

Yours faithfully,
B. F. SANSOM,
8 Essex Street,
Newbury,
Berkshire.
June 20.

Women's work

From the Director of the National Advisory Centre on Careers for Women

Sir, I refer to Mrs Reid's letter (June 20) about my lecture to 14 year-old girls and their parents. The purpose of that particular lecture was to help girls making choices about the optional subjects to include in their O level studies.

In that context it was not appropriate to complicate the issues by discussing women's many roles in modern society nor did anyone raise the topic during the hour of questioning which followed my lecture. I echo Beryl Dixon's article of June 18 in concentrating on the need to leave as many options open as possible at that stage. Girls need encouragement to look widely.

This organization has worked for over 50 years in the cause of career opportunities for women. Our work with returners makes us very aware of the problems implicit in combining family life and paid work.

Yours faithfully,
KALYANI MENON, Director,
National Advisory Centre on Careers for Women,
Drayton House,
30 Gordon Street, WC1.
June 25.

Upon the waters

From Lieutenant-Colonel A. M. T Moody

Sir, After reading your articles on healthy eating I observed a lady feeding the ducks in St James's Park with wholemeal bread.

Is this the ultimate in wildlife preservation?

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL MOODY,
Ministry of Defence,
Whitehall, SW1.
June 22.

Conflict of creeds

From Father Aidan Nichols, OP

Sir, The Dean of King's College, Cambridge (June 13) is right to draw your readers' attention to the role of symbol and metaphor (or, in his preferred terms, "myth" and "allegory") in eliciting and passing on the meaning of outstanding historical events. But if he is right in saying that such forms of language constitute (warranted) historical reflection, then clearly they must maintain some continuity with the level of literal history ("facts") on which they claim to be founded.

No doubt all participants in the Jenkins debate would agree that, should the historical existence of Jesus be shown to be a mirage, the claims of the Christian religion would fall to the ground. Where they disagree is on exactly what degree of literal historicity is necessary in order to justify the continued use of such terms as the "Virgin" Mary and the "empty" tomb.

May I suggest that while in terms of some general theory of religion this may be an open question, in terms of the actual Christian religion as hitherto understood and practised a very high degree of literal historicity is demanded because of the specifically Christian characterisation of God.

The Christian notion that the Creator is not in competition with his creation but is capable of transforming it, if necessary from within, without destroying its integrity, is crucially derived from such instances of transformed biology as the virginal conception and the bodily resurrection.

A God who could not transform his creation or who could do so only "metaphysically" without physical effects would not be a God capable of grounding the hope of new life in a new world which has sustained the Christian Church through the ages.

Yours sincerely,
AIDAN NICHOLS,
Blackfriars,
Buckingham Road,
Cambridge.
June 13.

Lost weekend?

From Professor Glyn Daniel

Sir, The current issue of *Le Figaro Magazine* (June 16), in a fine article entitled *Passez votre weekend chez Shakespeare*, recommends our French friends to visit Bourbon-on-the-Water. But where is this village? Perhaps near Bourton-on-the-Rocks?

Yours,
GLYN DANIEL,
St John's College,
Cambridge.
June 17.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 27: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, Captain-General, visited the Royal Marines Poole at Hamworthy today.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness arrived at Poole Station in the Royal Train this morning and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Dorset (Colonel Sir Joseph Weld).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were then received at Hamworthy by the Commandant General Royal Marines (Lieutenant-General M. C. L. Wilkins) and the Commanding Officer, Royal Marines Poole (Lieutenant-Colonel D. C. L. Rowe).

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness viewed a presentation on the Royal Marines, witnessed various displays and visited the Sergeants' Mess.

The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, then visited the Officers' Mess and honoured the Commandant General with her presence at luncheon.

In the afternoon, Her Majesty and His Royal Highness witnessed an Aerial Display and the Operation Overlord Display and afterwards attended a Reception for members of All Ranks.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh later returned to London in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Countess of Airlie, the Right Hon Sir Philip Moore, Major-General Michael Palmer and Captain Alexander Matheson were in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds today attended a luncheon given by the seven Scottish Federations at the City Chambers, Glasgow.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received on arrival at Gasgow Airport by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the City of Glasgow (Councillor Robert Gray, the Right Hon. the Lord Provost).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this evening attended a Concert and Reception to celebrate the 50th Anniverary of the British Council at the Royal Festival Hall. Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Council (Sir Charles Troughton) and the Director General (Sir John Burgh).

Mrs Richard Carew Pole was in attendance.

By command of The Queen, the Lord Skelmersdale (Lord in Waiting) called upon The President of the Republic of Costa Rica this evening at the Dorchester Hotel and, on behalf of Her Majesty, bade farewell to His Excellency on his departure from this Country.

CLARENCE HOUSE
June 27: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at a Festival Service for the Friends of St Paul's which was held in St Paul's Cathedral.

Lady Elizabeth Basset and Sir Alastair Aird were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 27: The Prince and Princess of Wales this morning visited the Douglas Arter Centre for Multi-handicapped young people at Salisbury.

His Royal Highness, Duke of Cornwall, accompanied by Her Royal Highness, Duchess of Cornwall, subsequently opened and toured The Duke of Cornwall Spinal Treatment Centre, Odstock Hospital, Salisbury.

Their Royal Highnesses, attended by Mr David Roycroft and Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this afternoon attended a meeting of the Duchy's Advisory *Group on Archaeology* in the Manor of Fordington, Dorchester in the Eastern District.

Mr John Higgs was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 27: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon visited the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, this afternoon.

The Hon Mrs Wills and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance.

Her Royal Highness was present this evening at a Gala Fashion Show given by The Royal College of Art in the Gulbenkian Hall of the College.

Mrs Angus Blair was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 27: The Duke of Gloucester this morning opened the Spectrum Leisure Complex at Willington, co Durham and was later entertained to lunch by the Chairman of the Spectrum Trust Body, Councillor J. Richardson.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

Princess Margaret will attend a garden party given by the Government at Lancaster House on July 6 for teachers from the Commonwealth, the United States and Europe.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucestershire, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Anglian Regiment, will attend the annual reunion of the Northamptonshire Regiment Comrades Association church parade at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Northampton, on July 8.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will attend a reception to be given by the Courtauld Institute of Art Fund Trust at Somerset House on July 10.

Princess Margaret, as president, will attend a gala performance of *The Merchant of Venice* at the Chichester Festival Theatre, in aid of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, on July 10.

Princess Margaret will present the London in Bloom Awards at the National Westminster Banqueting Hall on July 25.

The Duke of Gloucester will visit the Royal Agricultural Society of England Show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire, on July 5.

The Duchess of Kent will visit the children's unit at the Christie Hospital and Holt Radium Institute and also the Headquarters of the Samaritans in Manchester on June 29.

The Duke of Kent, as a Trustee of the Duke of Edinburgh's Commonwealth Study Conference, will visit groups of the Southern UK Study Conference in Leicester and Stratford-on-Avon on July 11.

A memorial service for Mrs Phyllis Digby Morton will be held on Thursday, July 5, at 11.30am, in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, W1.

Marriage

Captain A. J. C. Pratt and Miss L. R. Murray Lee

The marriage took place yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, of Captain Adrian Pratt, son of Lord and Lady Roderic Pratt, of Saxonbury House, Frant, Tunbridge Wells, and Miss Leanora Murray Lee, daughter of Mr Peter Murray Lee, of 1 Eaton Square, SW1, and the late Mrs Murray Lee, and stepdaughter of Mrs Peter Murray Lee. The Rev N. Thomas, the Rev D. B. Tillyer, and Deaconess Angela Burpers-Wilson officiated.

The bride, who was given away in marriage by her father, was attended by Mathew Wellesley Smith, Charles Tweed, Lucinda Whiteley, the Hon Jessica Wyndham, Amelia Fishburn, Emma Tweed, and Miss Issabel Peate. Mr Robert Lyle was best man.

A reception was held at the Turf Club and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Clifton College

At a meeting of the Council of Clifton College held on June 23, 1984, Admiral Sir James Eberle was elected chairman of the council in succession to Judge Sir Ian Lewis, QC, who remains a member of the council.

Atlas honoured

The Times Atlas of the Oceans has been awarded the American Library Association's 1984 Dartmouth Medal Award, which is presented annually to "honour achievement in creating reference works outstanding in both quality and significance".

Launderers' Company

The Launderers' Company has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Jack Reantell; Deputy Master, Mr S Laurie-Walker; Senior Warden, Mr R Le Poidevin; Renter Warden, Mr D [illegible] Hust.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. S. R. Elwes and Miss S. M. Worsley

The engagement is announced between Martin, elder son of the late Captain Robin Elwes and Mrs J. H. Taylor, of The White House, Sowerby, North Yorkshire, and Sarah, daughter of Sir Marcus Worsley and the Hon Lady Worsley, of Hovingham Hall, York.

Captain R. I. Webb-Bowen and Miss C. R. Leng

The engagement is announced between Robert Webb-Bowen, Army Air Corps, younger son of Colonel H. W. H. Webb-Bowen, of Middlesbrough, and Mrs T. H. Muir, of Dartmouth, and Camilla Rose, younger daughter of General Sir Peter Leng, of Eaton Place, London, and Lady Virginia Leng, of Shrewton House, Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Mr J. R. B. Cockett and Miss P. L. Knowlton

The engagement is announced between James Robin Bernard, son of the late Mrs Felicity Cockett and of Mr F. B. Cockett and stepson of Mrs F. B. Cockett, of Kensington, London, and Polly Lee, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs E. A. Knowlton, of Winchester, Massachusetts, United States.

Captain H. J. Elston and Miss N. M. Russell

The engagement is announced between Howard John Elston, The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards, son of Major and Mrs J. Elston, of Houghton, Hampshire, and Nicola Mary, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Russell, of Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Dr P. W. Keiller and Miss B. A. Moss

The engagement is announced between Peter W., son of Mr and Mrs I. L. Keiller, of Bidenham, Bedford, and Bridget Alyson, elder daughter of Mrs P. M. C. Moss, of Cardiff, and Mr Philip T. Moss, of Stockport.

Mr P. A. D. Le Roux and Miss A. A. W. Rudd

The engagement is announced between Philippe Antonie David Le Roux, son of Mrs Fylippa Chatfield Cumming, of 133 Dundalk Road, Parkurst, Johannesburg, and Amanda Antonia Winton, daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Rudd, of Chalcot House, Westbury, Wiltshire, and 8 Buckingham Place, London, SW1.

Mr N Le Sueur and Miss M Sanderson

The engagement is announced between Neil, son of Mr and Mrs D Le Sueur, of Fort George, Guernsey, and Margaret, elder daughter of Professor G N and Dr L M Sanderson, of Englefield Green, Surrey.

Mr J R P Pike and Miss C H Stronach

The engagement is announced between James, third son of the late Mr Andrew Pike and of Dr Catherine Pike, of Blackheath, Guildford, Surrey, and Clare, daughter of the late Mr Brian Stronach and of Mrs Shirley Stronach, of Delgany, co Wicklow.

Herr J [illegible] Plamenig and Miss S J Allen

The engagement is announced between Johann, son of Herr and Frau Johannes Plamenig, of Arnaldstein, Austria, and Sarah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs D Allen, of Gatsdon, Wiltshire.

Mr M. J. Railing and Miss P. A. M. [illegible]

The engagement is announced between Mark, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Railing, of [illegible], Sussex, and Philippa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip [illegible] Brune, of Ramsey, Isle of Man.

Mr S. G. Robertson-Macleod and Miss N. R. S. Walker

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Colonel and Mrs Roderick Robertson-Macleod, of Pond Cottage, Sherfield-on-Loddon, and Nicola, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Walker, of Wid-combe Lodge, East Harptree.

Mr D. B. T. Sidgwick and Miss E. M. Ferrar

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs Tom Sidgwick, of Rattlesden, Suffolk, and Eleanor, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Ferrar, of Ingatestone, Essex.

Mr K Wyness and Miss B. J. Brown

The engagement is announced between Keith, only son of Mr and Mrs Robert Wyness, of Solihull, Warwickshire, and Beverley, daughter of Elder and Mrs G. W. Brown, of Miami, Florida.

Major Hugh Dawnay, of Whitfield Court International Polo School, co Waterford, in the Irish Republic, who with the Pony Club is to present a scholarship to the school for the best young player at the Pony Club's polo competition at Cowdray in August.

Luncheons

Royal Marines
The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh lunch with Royal Marine officers at Royal Marines, Poole Yesterday. The Commandant General Royal Marines, Lieutenant-General Michael Wilkins, Presided.

HM Government
Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, was host yesterday at a luncheon given at 1 Carlton Gardens in honour of Mr Gordon Scholes, Australian Minister of Defence.

HM Government
Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, was host yesterday at a luncheon given at Admiralty House, in honour of *Mr van Houwelingen*, Dutch State Secretary for Defence.

Variety Club of Great Britain.
The Variety Club of Great Britain held a luncheon at the Savoy Hotel yesterday for Dame Anna Neagle to celebrate her 60 years in show business. The speakers included Mr Norman Garrod, Chief Barker, Sir John Terry, Miss Margaretta Scott, Air Chief Marshal Sir Augustus Walker and Mr Eamonn Andrews.

Others present included:
Mr Tony Britton, Miss Dora Bryan, Mr Lionel Blair, Mr Joe Brown, Mr Larry Grayson, Mr Alan Jay Lerner, Miss Liz Robertson, Mr Derek Nimmo, Miss Angela Douglas, Miss Katie Boyle, Mr Christopher Timothy, Mr Robert Nesbitt, Sir Emile Littler, Lord Graves, Colonel Maurice Buckmaster, Mr Harold Fielding, Sir Peter Saunders and Mr Freddie Young.

Royal Society of Chemistry
The President of the Royal Society of Chemistry, Professor J. I. G. Cadogan, gave a luncheon party yesterday at Burlington House. Sir Keith Joseph, MP. Other guests [illegible]

Company of Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders
The Court of Assistants of the Company of Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders met at Glaziers' Hall yesterday when the new Master, Mr H. E. P. Spearing, and the Wardens, Mr G. E. S. Widdowson, Mr L. A. Chapuis, Mr R. Dunhill, and Mr D. P. C. Harris, were installed. At a luncheon held afterwards for the livery and their guests the speakers were the Master and Mr Richard Barker, Headmaster of Sevenoaks School.

Dinners

Middle Temple
The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were entertained at dinner on Tuesday by the Treasurer, Lord Justice Ackner, and the *Masters of the Bench of the Middle* Temple, it being Grand Day in Trinity Term. Other guests included:
The Prime Minister of the Republic of Ireland, the Speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Rawlinson of Ewell, QC, Lady Denning, Lady Howe, Mr Patrick Jenkin, MP, Sir Patrick Nairne, Lady Ackner, Lord Justice Griffiths, Admiral Sir Desmond Dreyer, Sir John Burgh, Sir Thomas Skyrme, Sir Arthur Norman, Judge Argyle, QC, Judge Brian Gibbens, QC, Mr Michael Wright, QC, Professor H. W. R. Wade, QC, Mrs Jane Findlay, Mr Robin Hanbury-Tenison, Mr Nigel Havers, and Rear-Admiral J. R. Hill, Under Treasurer, and Mrs Hill.

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at a dinner given yesterday at 10 Downing Street in honour of the President of Sri Lanka and Mrs Jayewardene. The other guests were:
Mr and Mrs Ronnie de Mel, Mr and Mrs W M P B Menikdiwela, The High Commissioner for Sri Lanka and Mrs Monerawela, Mr Susantha de Alwis, Mr and Mrs Nihal Weeratunga, Dr S de S Jayasinghe, Sir Keith Joseph, MP, Mr Paul Channon, MP, and Mrs Channon, Mr Ray Whitney, MP, [illegible] The Bishop of Winchester and Mrs Taylor, Mr Denis Healey, CH, MP, and Mrs Healey, the Hon Alan and Mrs Hare, Sir Christopher and Lady Leaver, Miss Betty Boothroyd, MP, Mr Michael Morris, MP, Mr and Mrs D A Holland, Mr and Mrs D Land, Dr and Mrs P A A Bach, Sir William and Lady Ryrie, Sir William and Lady Harding, Mr and Mrs Robin Butler, Mr and Mrs John Redwood and Mr and Mrs Charles Powell.

HM Government
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Lady Howe were hosts yesterday at the annual dinner in honour of the Queen's official birthday for the heads of diplomatic missions and their ladies held at Hampton Court Palace by permission of the Queen.

Prosecuting Solicitors' Society of England and Wales
The President of the Prosecuting Solicitors' Society of England and Wales, Mr Oliver Lovibond, the vice-president and the council were hosts at a dinner held in the Law Society's Hall yesterday. The guests included:
The Attorney General, Sir Michael Havers, QC, Lord Wigoder, QC, the Solicitor General, Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, Lord Justice Lawton, Sir Thomas Heterington, QC, Lady Ralphs, Sir Barry Shaw, QC, Sir David Napley, Sir Edward Gardner, QC, MP, Sir Christopher Hewetson, Mr H Steel, Mr E M Hill, QC, Mr D Mallor, MP, Mr D E R Faulkner, Mr W J Bohan, Mr J Nursaw, Mr J M Wright, QC, Professor I R Scott, Mr J L Bowson.

Birthdays today

Mr Eric Ambler, 75; Mr Correlli Barnett, 57; Mr Jack Kid Berg, 75; Dr J. N. Black, 62; Sir Clifford Campbell, 92; Mr David Duckham, 38; Mr Harold Evans, 56; Sir Peter Gadsden, 55; Mr Jack Gold, 54; Lord Gray of Contin, 57; Mr Malcolm Horsman, 51; Mr John Inman, 48; Lord Justice May, 61; Sir Antony Part, 68; Mr Cyril Smith, MP, 56; Sir Gary Sobers, 48; Viscount Whitelaw, CH, 66; Sir Patrick Wright, 53.

Latest wills

Sir Roydon Dash, of Guildford, Surrey, former chairman of the Stevenage Development Corporation, left estate valued at £60,858 net.

Mr Robert Ivan Kenyon-Slaney, of *Shifnal, Shropshire*, farmer and landowner, and High Sheriff of Salop 1973-74, left estate valued at £2,364,565 net. He left his property mostly to relatives.

Mrs Ilona Adele Gisela Kirsta-Cruikshank, of Holyport, Berkshire, left estate valued at £527,114 net.

Mr John Vary Boulter, of Edenbridge, first technical editor of *Autosport* and motor race commentator, left £276,158 net.

Little, Mrs Ivy Irene, of Ovingdean, Brighton.........£289,948

Salters' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Salters' Company for the ensuing year:
Master: Major C. A. Park; Upper Warden: Major Lord Robertson of Oakridge; Second Warden: Mr P. L. B. Stoddart.

Garden Party

Royal Navy
Vice-Admiral Sir David Brown, Flag Officer Plymouth, and Lady Brown, were hosts at a Plymouth Command garden party held at Admiralty House, Devonport, yesterday. The Principal guests included the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Plymouth, the High Sheriff of Devon and Mrs Sutton-Scott-Tucker, the leader of Devon County Council and Mrs [illegible] County Council and Mrs Williams.

Science report

Rabies hazard of railway foxes

By Hugh Clayton

Most towns and cities with large populations of human railway commuters also have a smaller number of foxes which travel along the railway tracks. Their willingness to travel for 10 miles or more may complicate control of a rabies outbreak in Britain.

The habits of foxes have been investigated by Mr Hugh Kolb, a researcher with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland, who caught foxes in cages with such bait as chickens' heads, and tied small radio transmitters to them. He was able to track some of the animals for more than six months.

"His work in Edinburgh soon showed that the city's 50 miles of disused railway line were often used by wandering dog foxes. "While the ranges of some animals were very large, they were rapidly commuting from one end to the other", Mr Kolb wrote. "Large areas of ground in between were but little used."

He suspects that rabies could be spread just as easily by wandering dog foxes as by the more obvious channel of cubs which travel more widely as they grow older. He believes that the travelling range of a fox will be wider where there are disused railway lines, and that dogs are much more likely to travel at some times of the year than others.

Such information can be built into government and council control programmes for making sure that rabies does not spread in Britain.

No other large British wild animal has adapted so successfully to town life, and some of the most dense local fox populations in Britain are in towns rather than the countryside. Unlike countries where the disease is present or close, Britain does not rely on muzzling of pets and vaccination for control.

It depends instead on strict quarantine rules for imported animals and the ability of government officers and local councils to catch any infected animals which arrive. Hardly any have escaped quarantine.

Control relies on placing a cordon round any infected animal and catching or destroying any potential four-legged *carrier of the disease* near by. The cordon is labour-intensive and relies for effectiveness on the ability of trained and protected staff to catch possible carriers.

Mr Kolb's work suggests that the size needed for the cordon may depend on the habits of dog foxes. They move farther in some months than in others, while the commuters on disused railways move farther than the rest.

Source: *Journal of Applied Ecology*, vol 21, no 1, 1984 (British Ecological Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1).

OBITUARY

MR CARL FOREMAN
Film producer and screenwriter

Carl Foreman, the American film producer and screen writer, died on June 26 in Beverly Hills at the age of 69.

Like the director Joseph Losey, whose death occurred last week, Foreman was blacklisted by Hollywood because of his left-wing political sympathies and from the early 1950s he lived and worked mainly in Britain, though retaining his American nationality.

He was born in Chicago on July 23, 1914, and first made his name in the 1940s as the scriptwriter on a series of socially aware pictures, produced by Stanley Kramer. They included *Champion*, still one of the best boxing films; *Home Of The Brave*, an indictment of race prejudice; and *The Men*, a study of paraplegic war veterans, which launched the screen career of Marlon Brando.

In 1952 Foreman wrote the screenplay for one of the most famous of all Westerns, *High Noon*, in which Gary Cooper plays a lone sheriff defending his town against gunmen. Forced out of Hollywood soon afterwards, Foreman settled in Britain where he was obliged to work under pseudonyms to ensure that his films would not be refused distribution in the United States.

One of his first British pictures was Losey's The Sleeping Tiger and in 1957 he collaborated on the Oscar-winning script of David Lean's epic about British Prisoners of war in Thailand, *The Bridge On The River Kwai*, though the sole credit went to the author of the novel, Pierre Boulle.

The enormous critical and commercial success of this film helped Foreman to re-establish himself and he formed his own production company, Open Road Films. Its first enterprise was Carol Reed's tugboat drama, *The Key*; this was followed by the comedy, *The Mouse That Roared*, and a popular adaptation of Alastair Maclean's wartime adventure, *The Guns of Navarone*.

In 1963, Foreman made his only film as a director, *The Victors*, a long and ambitious treatment of the ironies of war told through the experiences of an American infantry platoon serving in Europe. Later pictures included the animal story, *Born Free*; a western, *MacKenna's Gold*; and, a subject he had long cherished, *Young Winston*, an account of the early life of Winston Churchill.

Foreman took an active interest in the cinema in Britain, as a governor of the British Film Institute and a member of the committee formed to set up the National Film School. He was made an honorary CBE in 1971.

In his last years he returned to live in the United States, serving on boards of the American Film Institute and the National Endowment for the Arts. He did film and television work for MCA-Universal and Warner Bros. His final project was to write the screen-play and co-produce *The Yellow Jersey*, a forthcoming film, featuring Dustin Hoffman, about the Tour de France.

MR JOHN LEA

John Sydney Birch Lea the 3rd son of Sir Thomas Sydney Lea second baronet died recently aged 72. An engineer of originality he had a successful business career, was a member of the Iron and Steel Federation and a director of several companies in heavy industry.

From an early age he showed determination and resource as for example when he built a home made steel furnace to make a spare part for his pre World War I racing Mercedes. At 15 he designed and built a rocket car (ahead of Dr Opel).

Unfortunately he lost a large part of his right hand during these experiments. Unable to join the armed forces during the war he was in charge of a civilian bomb disposal unit operating in Birmingham and thus found a useful outlet for his early fascination for explosives.

However it was in the horticultural world that John Lea was probably best known. He was a member of the Garden Society and Chairman of the Narcissus and Tulip Committee. Beside judging and lecturing he was the foremost breeder of daffodils in the world and he exported his rare hybrids as far afield as Russia, Japan, New Zealand and the U.S.A. where he was affectionately known as "Mr Daffodil".

In 1971 he won the Englehart Cup awarded by the R.H.S. for the 12 best seedlings in their annual daffodil show. He went on to win it for 12 years in succession from 1973 to 1984. His standard will certainly be hard to equal.

MR GEORGE A SPATER

N.M. writes:
George A. Spater, who died at his home in Vermont on June 14 at the age of 75, was a remarkable exemplar of the second career.

A distinguished aviation lawyer, long associated with TWA and then president of American Airlines, he came to England on his retirement in 1974 and settled in Sussex to take up the literary interests which had previously animated him as a book-collector.

He first worked on the Woolf papers at the University of Sussex, where he and his wife, Hope, lived in Monks House at Rodmell. In 1978, with the late Ian Parsons, he published *A [illegible]*, an account of the [illegible] life of Virginia and Leonard Woolf.

He next [illegible] his long-standing [illegible] with the trans-Atlantic [illegible] William Cobbett, [illegible] much-acclaimed [illegible] biography appeared [illegible].

A man of [illegible] scholarship and [illegible] generosity, George Spater made many friends [illegible] decade he lived in Sussex and he will be as much [illegible] there as by those in [illegible] country who admired [illegible] and loved his [illegible] charm.

M JEAN HUGO

Jean Hugo, the great-grandson of the writer Victor Hugo, has died in the Hugo family country home, to which he retired after the war, aged 89. He was a scenic artist and a painter of some distinction, having qualified for a large retrospective in Paris in his 70s.

He first achieved fame in the heady 1920s as a friend and collaborator of Jean Cocteau and a prominent figure of the bohemian circles of the day, which included "Les Six". He designed the costumes and masks for Cocteau's *Les Mariés de la Tour Eiffel* (1921), that featured [illegible] Maré Swedish Ballet and the music of Tailleferre, [illegible] Honegger, Milhaud, [illegible] five of "The Six" [illegible] he used to consort [illegible] *Boeuf sur le Toit*.

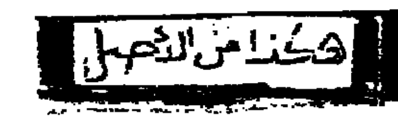
His [illegible] translation [illegible] *Juliet* (1924) [illegible] for his *Orphée* [illegible] staged at the Arts (1926) [illegible] notable, as were those for his great-grandfather's *Ruy Blas* which Pierre Dux directed at the Comédie Française in 1950.

Tripos results: Music, theology, electrical sciences, archaeology, anatomy, engineering

The following Tripos examination results from Cambridge University are announced:
* denotes distinction.

MUSIC TRIPOS Part 1A
Class 1: None.
Class 2 division 1: G R C Bowen, William Ellis and Joh; K C Bradshaw, Yehudi Menuhin S and Cai; A J Burnett, Glasgow Acad and Cath; A Chakravarty, Burlington Danes, London and King's; P Dyke, St George's Harpenden and Rob; R H Farnes, Eton and King's; M Harry, Charterhouse and King's; R A Mills, Bangor GS, Down and Chur; R W Parry, Ipswich S and Cath; O L Rees, Leeds GS and Chethams S of Music and Cath.
Class 2 division 2: J E Bowers, Tiffin and Rosebery Co S and Trin; M J Buckland, Torquay Girls GS and Newn; D Mlotis, Chethams S of Music and Tr H; R D Ehrlich, Methodist Coll Belfast and King's; E J Forey, Durham S and Fitzw; T E Gill, Scarborough S and Magd; P N H Godfrey, Radley and Pemb; K G Greeley, SC Essex SFC and Selw; M A Hammond, Peter Symonds Coll and Pet; W J S Marshall, Dover GS and Selw; M McLachlan, Chethams S of Music and Magd; A W Meredith, Repton and Fitzw; P J Mottram, Cranleigh S and Cath; M J Taylor, City of London and Qu; J R Waterfield, Southbrook Comp, Daventry and Girton.
Class 3: N Bennett, Chethams S of Music and Girton; D F Brasington, King's S, Rochester and Selw; G J H Carr, Hurstpierpoint C and King's; C H Corcoran, [illegible]

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Jury directions on joint enterprise

Chan Wing-Siu and Others v The Queen

Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Templeman and Sir Robin Cooke

[Judgment delivered June 21]

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council gave guidance as to the directions to be given to a jury explaining the tests of guilt in crimes alleged to arise from a joint enterprise.

Their Lordships dismissed the appeals by the three appellants, Chan Wing-Siu, Wong Kin-Shing and Tse Wai-Ming, from the judgment of the Court of Appeal of Hongkong on April 8, 1982, who dismissed their appeals against their convictions for murder and wounding with intent by the High Court of Hongkong (Mr Justice Macdougall and a jury) on June 9, 1981.

Mr Michael Corkery, QC and Mr James Guthrie for the appellants; Mr Harry Ognall, QC and Mr Andrew Hodge (Senior Assistant Crown Prosecutor, Hongkong) for the Crown.

SIR ROBIN COOKE said that the appellants were tried jointly on an indictment containing two counts, namely murder contrary to common law, and wounding with intent the deceased's wife contrary to section 17 *(a)* of the Offences against the Person Ordinance.

The jury unanimously found them guilty on both counts. They were sentenced to death for the murder and to five years' imprisonment for the wounding with intent.

The case for the prosecution depended on the evidence of the deceased's wife Madame Lam. She was a prostitute carrying on her trade with her husband's consent in a flat.

She testified that during the afternoon of May 31, 1980, she went to answer her doorbell and her husband as usual withdrew into the kitchen. She saw only Tse and assuming that he was a client she opened the door to let him in, but the other two appellants then rushed round a corner and the three forced their way into the flat.

They all drew knives. She was ordered to kneel down and not make a sound. Her husband appeared at the kitchen door and Chan and Wong then forced him back into the kitchen while Tse guarded her. She heard one of the others say "Stab him down" and a scream from her husband.

Shortly afterwards they left and as they went she was slashed across the head. She found her husband dying and he had been stabbed several times. Three knives were left behind.

The appellants each made several statements to the police which were put in evidence by the prosecution. None of the appellants gave evidence nor was any called for them.

In their statements they all ultimately admitted having gone to the flat that day and they claimed their purpose had been to collect a debt owed by the deceased to Tse. Chan and Wong admitted taking a knife and knowing that the others had knives. Tse did not admit having himself taken a knife and he denied knowing that his friends were armed with knives.

All three stated that as soon as they entered the deceased had attacked them with a chopper or knives. Only Wong admitted to using violence and he stated that he stabbed the deceased in self-defence.

In the common law of England, which for all purposes material to the case applied in Hongkong, it was now settled by the decision of the House of Lords in *R v Cunningham* ([1982] AC 566) that killing with the intention of inflicting on the victim grievous bodily harm, namely really serious bodily harm, was murder.

The evidence of the deceased's wife, if accepted by the jury, was clearly sufficient when coupled with the circumstantial evidence (in particular the blood-stained knives) to show that Chan and Wong had joined in an attack on the deceased with at least the intention of inflicting grievous bodily harm.

In the circumstances one way in which the Crown case at the trial was put against all three appellants, and on both counts, was that crimes of the type charged must have been contemplated by them as possible occurrences in the course of their joint venture.

The judge directed the jury that an accused was guilty on both counts if proved to have had in contemplation that a knife might be used on the occasion by one of his co-adventurers with the intention of inflicting serious bodily injury.

The appeal involved an attack on the summing up, in relation to both counts. It was submitted for the appellants that it was not enough if an appellant foresaw death or grievous bodily harm as a possible consequence of the joint enterprise, and that the jury ought to have been directed that it had to be proved that he foresaw that one of those consequences would probably result.

The case depended on the principle whereby a secondary party was criminally liable for acts by the primary offender of a type which the former foresaw but did not necessarily intend. The principle turned on contemplation or authorization, which might be express but was more usually implied. It met the case of a crime foreseen as a possible incident of the common unlawful enterprise. The criminal culpability lay in participating in the venture with that foresight.

In *R v Anderson; R v Morris* ([1966] 2 QB 110, 118-119) Lord Parker, Lord Chief Justice, said that where two persons embarked on a joint enterprise each was liable for the acts done in pursuance of that joint enterprise, but if one went beyond what had been tacitly agreed as part of the common enterprise his co-adventurer was not liable for the consequences of that unauthorized act, and it was for the jury to decide whether what was done was part of the joint enterprise or went beyond it and was an act unauthorized by that joint enterprise.

In agreement with the courts in Hongkong, Australia and New Zealand, their Lordships regarded as wholly unacceptable any argument that would propose, as any part of the criteria of the guilt of an accomplice, whether on considering in advance the possibility of a crime of the kind in the event actually committed by his co-adventurers he thought that it was more than an even risk.

Public policy required that where a man lent himself to a criminal enterprise knowing that potentially murderous weapons were to be carried, and in the event they were in fact used by his partner with an intent sufficient for murder, he should not escape the consequences by reliance upon a nuance of prior assessment, only too likely to have been optimistic.

On the other hand, if it was not even contemplated by the particular accused that serious bodily harm would be intentionally inflicted, he was not a party to murder: see *Davies v DPP* ([1954] AC 378, 401). The test of *mens rea* there was subjective.

It was what the individual accused in fact contemplated that mattered. As in other cases where the state of a person's mind had to be ascertained, that might be inferred from his conduct and any other evidence throwing light on what he foresaw at the material time.

The prosecution had to prove the necessary contemplation beyond reasonable doubt. If at the end of the day the jury concluded that there was a reasonable possibility that the accused did not even contemplate the risk, he was not guilty of murder or wounding with intent to cause serious bodily harm.

In some cases in this field it was enough to direct the jury by adapting to the circumstances the simple formula common in a number of jurisdictions.

For instance, did the particular accused contemplate that in carrying out a common unlawful purpose one of his partners in the enterprise might use a knife or a loaded gun with the intention of causing really serious bodily harm? The present was such a case.

It was not necessary for the trial judge to say more on the subject than he did. He drew the jury's attention fully to the unsworn statements of each accused.

He emphasised that if the jury were to conclude that it was reasonably possible that an accused had an intention less than the infliction of serious bodily injury on any occupant of the flat, or that he did not foresee that one of his colleagues was going to inflict injury of a serious bodily nature, then that accused did not have the necessary intent or foresight of consequences for murder.

He told them that if she thought that the knives would be used to do no more than frighten the occupants, then he would be guilty not of murder but of manslaughter.

The judge made it plain that it was for the jury to decide whether they accepted Madame Lam's evidence. Once they accepted her evidence that all three drew knives as soon as they forced their way in, there was no evidential foundation for an argument that, if Tse foresaw the use of knives by the other two, it was only as a risk so remote that he disregarded it. No more elaborate direction was called for on the evidence in the case.

Where there was an evidential foundation for a remoteness issue, it might be necessary for the judge to give the jury more help. Although a risk of a killing or serious bodily harm had crossed the mind of a party to an unlawful enterprise, it was right to allow for a class of case in which the risk was so remote as not to make that party guilty of a murder or intentional causing of grievous bodily harm committed by a co-adventurer in the circumstances that in the event confronted the latter.

But if the party accused knew that lethal weapons, such as a knife or loaded gun, were to be carried on a criminal expedition, the defence should succeed only very rarely.

In cases where an issue of remoteness did arise it was for the jury or other tribunal of fact to decide whether the risk as recognized by the accused was sufficient to make him a party to the crime committed by the principal.

Various formulae had been suggested including a substantial risk, a real risk, a risk that something might well happen. No one formula was exclusively preferable, and it might be advantageous in a summing up to use more than one.

What had to be brought home to the jury was that occasionally a risk might have occurred to an accused's mind – fleetingly or even causing him some deliberation – but may genuinely have been dismissed by him as altogether negligible.

If they thought there was a reasonable possibility that the case was in that class, taking the risk should not make that accused a party to such a crime of intention as murder or wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

The judge was entitled to warn the jury to be cautious before reaching that conclusion, but the law could do no more by way of definition, and it could only be for the jury to determine any issue of that kind on the facts of the particular case.

The present case not being of that class, their Lordships recommended that the appeals should be dismissed.

Solicitors: Coward Chance; Charles Russell & Co.

Special client account creates trust

Carreras Rothmans Ltd v Freeman Mathews Treasure Ltd and Another

Before Mr Justice Peter Gibson

[Judgment delivered May 25]

A special account set up by a creditor with moneys provided by a debtor for the payment of third parties created a trust similar to that in *Barclays Bank Ltd v Quistclose Investments Ltd* ([1970] AC 567).

That trust did not amount to an attempt to contract out of section 302 of the Companies Act 1948 which provided for *pari passu* distribution to unsecured creditors of an insolvent company in voluntary liquidation. Nor did it constitute a charge by the creditor on its book debts in favour of third party creditors which would be void for non-registration under section 95 of the 1948 Act.

Nevertheless, the debtor/creditor relationship subsisted alongside the trust, and such moneys as were payable by the debtor to the creditor but had not at the date of the creditor's liquidation actually been paid thereby constituting the trust, remained payable.

Mr Justice Peter Gibson so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division granting Carreras Rothmans Ltd (CR) a declaration that moneys held in a special account were held by Freeman Mathews Treasure Ltd (FMT) on trust to meet the debts of third parties and granting FMT on its counterclaim an order for the payment by CR to FMT of £780,000.

Mr Peter Millett, QC and Mr John Higham for Carreras Rothmans; Mr Robin Potts, QC and Mr John Vallat for Freeman Mathews Treasure.

MR JUSTICE PETER GIBSON said that CR, the manufacturer of several well-known brands of cigarette and pipe tobacco, employed FMT as its advertising agency to carry out the creation and placement of advertisements in the media.

CR originally paid FMT not only a fee for the services it performed but also a sum equal to all expenditure incurred by FMT on the placement work, such payment being limited to debts incurred by third parties, that is, newspapers and periodicals in whose publications CR's advertisements appeared, and production agencies.

When it became clear that FMT was in financial difficulties, CR came up with a scheme to protect the third parties. It was agreed that payments made to FMT for purely onwards transmission to the media and production agencies would be paid to a special account opened by FMT at its own bank and to be used for that purpose only, and that CR would receive written confirmation from the bank that it was aware of the conditions and purpose of the account.

The account was duly opened and CR made payments in for May and June but not for July. On August 3, 1983 FMT went into creditors' voluntary winding up and the moneys in the special account were frozen at the instigation of the liquidator before any cheque drawn on that account had been cleared.

Debts to third parties were incurred by FMT as principal and not as agent of CR. Nevertheless, under pressure from the newspapers and production agencies, and unwilling to jeopardize its advertising campaign, CR paid FMT's debts. Such payments were made against assignments by third parties to CR whereby CR could stand in their shoes so far as any claim could be made against the moneys in the special account or to prove in the liquidation.

By its statement of claim CR claimed that the sum in the special account was held by FMT for CR upon trust for the sole purpose of applying the same in meeting the debts owed to third parties and in default of that purpose being carried into effect upon a resulting trust to repay the same to CR.

In their defence, FMT and the liquidator denied that the moneys in the special account were held in trust *inter alia* because the agreement was contrary to public policy being entered into to avoid the provisions of section 302 of the Companies Act 1948 (providing for *pari passu* distribution to unsecured creditors of an insolvent company in voluntary liquidation) and because the agreement constituted an unregistered charge on book debts and was void under section 95 of that Act.

FMT and the liquidator counterclaimed that if CR was entitled to repayment of the moneys in the account, then FMT was entitled to £780,000 for services it had provided in July which included amounts payable by CR in respect of the third-party debts for that month.

His Lordship, following *Barclays Bank Ltd v Quistclose Investments Ltd* held that a trust had indeed been created. The moneys payable by CR were to be paid not to FMT beneficially but so that FMT was never free to deal as it pleased with them.

The account was intended to be little more than a conduit pipe, but the intention was plain that while in the conduit pipe the moneys should be protected. It was thus clearly intended that the moneys once paid would never become the property of FMT.

Mr Potts had argued that the third-party creditors had no enforceable rights and that where the beneficiaries under a primary trust had no enforceable rights, no trust was created.

But in none of the *Quistclose* line of reported cases, had any consideration been given to the question whether the person intended to benefit from the carrying out of the specific purpose which created the trust had enforceable rights. Thus the existence of enforceable rights in such persons had not been treated as crucial to the existence of a trust.

Furthermore, in *In re Northern Developments (Holdings) Ltd*, an unreported decision on October 6, 1978 of Sir Robert Megarry, Vice Chancellor, it was held that the persons intended to benefit from the carrying out of the primary trust did have enforceable rights.

Accordingly a trust had been created. That trust was completely constituted by the payment of moneys into the special account and CR as the provider of the moneys had an equitable right to an order for the carrying out by FMT of the trust.

Mr Potts's submission that the agreement was an agreement to contract out of section 302 of the Companies Act 1948 and as such was contrary to public policy on the principles of *British Eagle v Air France* ([1975] 1 WLR 758) failed.

The principle his Lordship extracted from that case was that where the effect of a contract was that an asset which was actually owned by the company at the commencement of its liquidation would be dealt with in a way other than in accordance with section 302, then to that extent the contract as a matter of public policy was avoided, whether or not the contract was entered into for consideration and for *bona fide* commercial reasons and whether or not the contractual provision affecting that asset was expressed to take effect only on insolvency.

When that principle was sought to be applied to the facts of the present case, it was clear that the moneys in the special account were not assets of FMT at the date of liquidation. The book debt which had been its asset was discharged when the moneys were paid into the special account. Accordingly the principle had no application to those moneys and the defence failed.

Mr Potts further submitted that the agreement constituted a charge by FMT on its book debts, being a charge on moneys due or to become due to FMT from CR, and that the charge was in favour of the third-party creditors, but was not registered so void under section 95.

His Lordship said that as "charge" was not defined for the purpose of section 95 it must bear its ordinary meaning. He did not see how the rights of the third-party creditors to enforce the primary trust relating as it did to the moneys in the special account could be said to amount to a charge on any book debt of FMT.

The book debt of FMT owed to it by CR was discharged on payment of the moneys into the account and only on such payment did the rights of the third parties arise. Their rights to enforce against FMT as trustee the carrying out of the primary trust were wholly different from the rights of a chargee.

Further, even if the rights of the third parties were charges, and the security were avoided, that would not prevent CR from exercising its equitable right to enforce the primary trust.

Mr Potts then submitted that notwithstanding the agreement, the debtor/creditor relationship subsisted between CR and FMT, the agreement merely provided for the discharge of the debt owed to FMT in a particular manner. In that he was successful.

In his Lordship's judgment FMT was owed a debt by CR which it had not discharged at the commencement of the liquidation, that was an asset of FMT and to the extent that the agreement purported to provide for the appropriation of that asset to the third-party creditors, it was avoided as contrary to public policy on *British Eagle* principles.

The agreement did not discharge or replace FMT's book debt which remained an asset of FMT until that debt was discharged by payment by CR into the special account. That did not occur in respect of the July debt and accordingly the agreement was ineffective in purporting to appropriate to the third parties any of those moneys which CR might yet pay FMT to discharge its debt. Therefore as CR's claim to set-off failed the whole of the sum of £780,000 was payable by CR to FMT.

Solicitors: Linklaters & Paines; Fielder Le Riche.

Appeals against sentence

Regina v Dawson (Kenneth)

Only in a case of a particular and cogent ground of appeal against sentence was an application to be made to the trial judge for a certificate for leave to appeal against sentence and only in such a case was it to be granted by the judge. Lord Justice O'Connor stated on June 26 dismissing an appeal against sentence made on standard grounds of appeal.

His Lordship, sitting with Sir John Thompson, drew emphatic attention to *Practice Direction (Crown Court: Bail Pending Appeal)* (*The Times*, November 12, [1983] 1 WLR 1292) and stated that, unfortunately for the appellant, Kenneth Dawson, aged 35, who had been released on bail after serving a fortnight, he would now have to return to prison to serve the balance of the nine months' sentence passed at Durham Crown Court (Judge Wrightson) on pleas of guilty to counts charging obtaining property by deception and handling stolen goods.

It was to be remembered that if an application to the trial judge was refused or in case of standard grounds an application for leave to appeal could be made to the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division).

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6	IDC	
7	Leech (William)	
8	Phoenix Timber	
9	Taylor Woodrow	
10	Wimpey (George)	
	ELECTRICALS	
11	BSR	
12	Bowthorpe	
13	Dale Elec	
14	First Castle Elec	
15	Kode	
16	Plessey	
17	Pressac	
18	Security Tag Sys	
19	Thorpe (FW)	
20	Unitech	
	INDUSTRIALS A-D	
21	Aero & Gen	
22	BET Dfd	
23	Brown Boveri Kent	
24	Berisfords	
25	Birmingham Mint	
26	Bridgend Process	
27	Br Syphon	
28	Br Vita	
29	Caparo Ind	
30	Cape Ind	
	DRAPERY & STORES	
31	Dewhurst (J)	
32	Ellis & Goldstein	
33	Gent SR	
34	Goldberg (A)	
35	Habitat Mothercare	
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1983 84 High	Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
264	132	Grindlays	259		..			18.1
96	51	Guinness Peat	51	●	..	..	..	18.8
183	128	Hambros	128		..	8.3	6.5	1.5
16	10½	Do (50p)	£11		..	82.9	7.5	12.8
351	243	Hill Samuel	271	●	+3	18.0	6.5	7.8
70	50	HK Shanghai	56½		+½	..		..
107	75	Jessel Toynbee Gill	95		-1	8.0	8.4	12.4
313	238	Joseph (Leopold)	258		-5	16.1	6.2	10.1
184	124	King & Shaxson	141		-1	11.8	8.4	12.0
400	385	Kleinwort Benson	385		..	17.1	4.8	9.0
639	507	Lloyds	524		+2	40.7	7.8	3.7
63	49	Lon Scot Fin	57	●	+1	3.8	6.6	11.1
42	30	Manson	30		..	..	..	8.1
625	420	Mercury Secs	423		..	13.8	3.2	10.8
423	297	Midland	302		+6	36.4	12.1	6.0
165	110	Minster Assets	157	●		7.1	4.5	14.3
256	183	National Comm	138	●	+3			
772	544	Nat West	567		+8	44.6	7.9	3.4
65½	57	Ottoman	£59		+½	400	7.8	9.0
182	148	Provident	148		..	12.8	8.6	8.3
86	73	Rea Bros	73		..	1.8	2.5	23.8
20⅞	14	Royl Bnk Of Can	£15		+⅛	..		..
244	184	Royl Bnk Of Scot	213	●	+1	11.0	5.2	7.5
908	718	Schroders	718		-2	23.6	3.3	12.8
370	280	Seccombe M	280	●	-10	26.5	9.5	9.9
71	46	Smith St Aubyn	57		..	6.4	11.3	5.2
579	442	Stand Chart	444		..	40.0	9.0	6.2
753	636	Union	636		-5	48.6	7.6	10.4
57	43	Wagon	45		..	3.6	7.9	12.2
29⅛	23⅞	Wells Fargo	£23[11]/[16]	●	+⅛			
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BUILDING AND ROADS

1983 84 High	Low	Company	Price		Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
202	158	Aberdeen Constr	172	●	..	6.0	3.5	8.9
249	187	Amec	187	●	+1	9.0	4.8	7.1
75	52	Amcliffe	56			3.0	5.4	8.6
338	255	BPB Industries	255		-8	6.0	2.4	11.4
182	122	Baggeridge Brick	158			6.0	3.8	8.8
168	85	Barratt Devs	106		+6	7.0	6.6	5.3
45	27	Bailey (Ben) Constr	38	●	..	1.0	2.6	8.7
..	..	Beechwood	..	f	..			
164	116	Bellway	128	●	+1	10.0	7.9	7.2
73	62	Benford Concrete	66		..	3.0	4.5	15.0
63	43	Bett Bros	63			1.0	1.6	0.1

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Time for Mr Tebbit to stop the Fraser battle

Activity flared in House of Fraser shares yesterday, driving the price up 14p to 244p. Today the board meets in Glasgow: that fact and yesterday's buying are more than coincidence. Their real relationship is something for the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, Mr Norman Tebbit, to ponder as he weighs whether or not to intervene in the current batle in the long war between Mr Tiny Rowland and Lonrho and Professor Roland Smith and the majority of the Fraser board.

Mr Tebbit, to his credit, has already ordered another Monopolies and Mergers Commission inquiry into the implications of Lonrho's taking control of House of Fraser (and with it, ownership of Harrods). Sir Gordon Borrie, the Director-General of Fair Trading, to his credit, has advised the minister that this inquiry would be unbalanced and prejudiced if Lonrho succeeded in changing the composition of the Fraser board by removing professor Smith and Mr Ernest Sharp and doubling or even trebling the number of Lonrho sympathisers – at present two out of 14.

Mr Rowland, however, has shown no willingness to be bound by the status quo until the commission has reported its findings. It is therefore up to Mr Tebbitt, not formally thought of as a man to vacillate before doing what is manifestly right and in the public interest, to order Lonrho not to do anything that would change the circumstances under investigation.

Should he have needed his resolve stiffening, the Scottich judges did just that on Friday when they blocked Dr Ashraf Marwan, Mr Rowland's Egyptian associate, from adding another two million Fraser shares to the 2.6 per cent of the equity he already holds. Mr Tebbit may just be staying his hand until he has seen the findings, surely now imminent, of Mr Joe Griffiths's official investigation into the nature of overseas buying of Fraser shares.

Two sets of resolutions, prepared for Fraser's annual meeting postponed from today, are still on th table. The firt seeks to increase the maximum size of the board from 18 to 25 and to promote Lonrho nominees to almost half of them. These resolutions led to the Monopolies Commission reference. A second set of resolutions tabling four names for the Fraser board was subsequently submitted.

Mr Rowland has made no secret of his wish for two heads on a plate: Professor Smith's and Mr Sharp's. They are chiefly responsible for thwarting Mr Rowland's Frazer-Harrods ambitions. Furthermore Lonrho undoubtedly now has the voting muscle to remove them both from the board.

Fraser's board (including the two Lonrho representatives) meets today to declare the final dividend as a second interim enabling it to be paid on time, despite the postponement of the annual general meeting.

The last time there was active share buying immediately preceeding a board meeting was in 1982 when Lonrho gave formal notice at the meeting that it wanted an extraordinary shareholders meeting to consider the Harrods demerger. A similar manoeuvre is likely now. Resolutions for the agenda would probably call for the removal of professor Smith and Mr Sharp for their failure to implement the Harrods demerger plan.

In that event Mr Tebbit would surely act. There is a great deal at stake in this issue, political as well as commercial.

Poor compromise by exhausted accountants

The Accounting Standards Committee yesterday unveiled its exposure draft detailing the way in which companies should account for the effects of changing prices on their financial results. With a sigh of relief, Mr Ian Davison, who steps down as ASC chairman next month, said that this would be the finmal word in a debate which has occupied the accountancy profession for more than 10 years.

Mr Davison's pronouncement is deeply worrying. First, it assumes that the comments which will be made on the exposure draft over the next six months will not warrant any substantial amendment to the new accounting rules. Secondly, his underlying reason for calling time is unconvincing.

"The ASC has approved the exposure draft unanimously and the profession is exhausted," said Mr Davison. "The subject has been debated too much and too long."

Exhausted the accountancy profession may well be but it is hardly a satisfactory criterion for condemning every British public company, except value based companies and wholly owned subsidiaries, to compliance with an accounting standard.

The new rules represent little more than a tinkering with the principles of SSAP 16, the present cost accounting standard, which has already been rejected by preparers, auditors and users of accounts as conceptually unsound and irrelevant in practice. Companies will still have to produce almost identical calculations to those rquired by SSAP 16 but the information will now be disclosed as a note rather than a separate set of accounts.

There will be little by way of cost savings to company in the new rules and they might be more expensive since the note to the accounts will be the subject of a full audit. Failure to comply with the standard will result in a qualified audit report.

It is widely accepted that companies need to take account of the impact of inflation on their results and report this to shareholders. The ASC's present solution offers little new thinking on the technical approach to the problem and it smacks of a shabby compromise designed to end the political in fighting within the profession and cover its embarrassing failure to tackle the question effectively.

Playing fair at Euro Ferries

The directors of European Ferries might like to consider one further concession to small shareholders as they put the finishing touches today to the revised circular on the scheme for limiting the company's famous shareholder perk – discounts of up to 50 per cent on Townsend Thorensen ferries.

Under the scheme as it stands, the directors have discretion to abolish the fares concession after 15 years. There would surely be no harm in setting the concessionary rights of the new preference shares in concrete by removing this power.

Rather than abandon it altogether – it has already cost nearly £1m to put before shareholders – the directors decided to make substantial modifications. The preference shares carrying the entitlement to the cheap fares concession will now have votes.

If nothing else, the European Ferries experience with this controversial scheme is a lesson in how difficult it is to be fair to all.

£800m electronics expansion will create 5,000 jobs

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Standard Telephones and Cables of Britain and its former parent, ITT of the United States, yesterday unveiled five-year investment plans for the United Kingdom totalling more than £800m, mostly in high technology, and the creation of about 5,000 jobs.

Employment is being created in a wide range of the two companies' plants, offices and research establishments, from Greenwich in London to Northern Ireland. STC, which is still 35 per cent owned by ITT, is to spend £600m over four years and emloy an additional 3,000 people, while ITT plans to invest £196m over five years and create 2,300 jobs.

The ITT investment is part of a $4.8 billion (£3.3 billion) European capital spending programme, mostly in the corporation's telecommunications activities. Significant expansion projects are planned in West Germany and Belgium.

A key part of the STC programme is expansion of its Northern Ireland operations, which specialize in high speed transmission equipment like lasers and optic fibres, and where 400-500 jobs will be created.

Sir Kenneth Corfield, the STC chairman who is also senior officer of ITT in the United Kingdom said yesterday that the Ulster plant would produce the ITT System 12 digital public telephone exchange, developed at a cost of $875m which, he claimed was way ahead of the international competition it is bidding for orders from British Telecom.

The biggest single recipient of new jobs – about 1,000 – will be STC's operation in Harlow Essex, which produces electronic components. A further 200 will be created at the Footscray works in Kent, which makes advanced semiconductor chips, and another 100 at the Greenwich defence establishment.

ITT's expanison was announced at the same time by Mr Daniel Weadock, president of ITT Europe. He said it was strong evidence of the corporation's confidence in Britain's economy. "Britain remains a country with plenty of opportunities for business growth.


Daniel Weadock: confidence in the British economy

ITT, among the world's largest diversified multinationals, has 24 operating companies in the United Kingdom including the Sheraton hotel-chain. The investment plan includes two new hotels in London's Belgravia and in Edinburgh, in addition to the existing hotels in Knightsbridge and two at Heathrow Airport, and an increase in Sheraton's workforce from 1,000 to 1,700.

The bulk of the investment – £145m – will be on development and engineering at the ITT Engineering Support Centre in Harlow where 60 new jobs will bring total employment to 330. The centre's projects include computer-aided design systems and speech synthesis and voice recognition systems.

ITT's Abbey Life subsidiary, the sixth largest life assurance company in the United Kingdom is to spend £19m over the five years on research and development, mostly on computers. Abbey which has 1 million policyholders plans a 25 per cent a year expansion in turnover. The programme includes 900 new jobs.

A further 225 jobs will be created in ITT's industrial technology business around the country.

Mr Weadock said it was hoped that ITT's United Kingdom turnover would rise from the present £600m to £1 billion after five years.

Dee share ban likely

Speculation was increasing last night that a Parliamentary order would be made to prevent the Dee Corporation buying any further shares in Booker Mc Connell. Dee's £230m bid for Bookers has been referred to the Monopolies Commission.

Under normal circumstances, each side would promise to do nothing to increase its influence over the other. Instead, Dee has gone ahead and bought a further 5 per cent of Booker.

Talks continued for the second day yesterday and it looked increasingly as though an order would be necessary to restrain Dee from buying further shares when it is allowed to do so tomorrow.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index:1038.3 up 14.0 (high: 1038.7; low: 1024.3)
FT Index:816.2 up 12.3
FT Gilts:78.43
FT All Share: N/A
Bargains:18,465
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 101.39 down 0.52
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1125.22 up 2.43
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10,311.01 up 65.93
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 924.97 down 2.95
Amsterdam: 154,7 up 0.7
Sydney: AO Index 650.4 down 6 0
Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1001.8 up 6 5

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE

Sterling
$1.3475 down 60pts
Index 78.8 down 0.2
DM 3.77 down 0.0050
FrF 11.57 unchanged
Yen 320.75 unchanged

Dollar
Index 134.1 up 0.2
DM 2.8000 up 0.0135

NEW YORK LATEST
Sterling $1.3500
Dollar DM 2.7920

INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.591868
SDR £0.761842

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Bank base rates 9¼
Finance houses base rate 9½
Discount market loans week fixed 8¾ - 8¼
3 month interbank 9 9/16 - 9 7/16

Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 11⅞ - 11¾
3 month DM 5 15/16 - 5 13/16
3 month Fr F 12½ - 12⅜

US rates
Bank prime rate 13.00
Fed funds 10⅝
Treasury long bond 98 3/32 - 98 7/32

ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period May 2 to June 5, 1983 inclusive: 9.516 per cent.

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am $370.30 pm $369.325 close $369 - 369.50 (£273.75 - 274.25)
New York (latest): $369.75
Krugerrand* (per coin): $380-381.50 (£282-283)
Sovereigns* (new): $86.50-87.50 (£64.25-65)
*Excludes VAT

Ansbacher hit by loan provision

By Our Banking Correspondent

A £1.5m provision against a loan to an international shipowner has sharply reuced profits at Henry Ansbacher and the merchant banking group is cutting its final dividend as a result.

After transfers to hidden reserves, disclosed profits are down from £2.22m to £273,000 before tax in the year to March 31. The final dividend has been trimmed from 3.5p to 2p although Ansbacher says profits are improving and if the trend is maintained it plans to restore the total payout with a 1.5p interim dividend.

The group also announced yesterday that it is paying $15m (£11m) to buy that small New York investment bank Laidlaw, Adams & Peck which will be merged with Ansbacher's American, mergers and acquisitions operation. The move is the latest step in the group's American expansion.

Laidlaw made after tax profits of £1.2m in the year to April 27 and Ansbacher will pay $5m for the firm immedately and the rest over five years. The main thrust of the merged firm will be in corporate advice and mergers.

Mr David Leroy-Lewis, chairman of Ansbacher said there were no present plans to buy a London stockbroker.

Ansbacher still hopes to recover the £1.5m shipping loan, and the group said yesterday that "the probability of recovery of the debt has not changed." However, it had hoped to have resolved the matter by now and has decided to make a provision because of the continuing uncertainty.

At the operatiing level, the merchant bank raised profits from £829,000 to £1.27m last financial year, although both insurance broking and shipbroking recorded lower profits because of the state of the shipping market. However Mr Leroy-Lewis said there were signs of improvement in the shipping market.

Groupe Bruxelles Lambert, the Belgian banking group, and its major shareholder Pargesa now hold 29.77 per cent of Ansbacher

Pound slumps below $1.35 to record low

By Sarah Hogg, Economics Editor

The pound slid to a record low against the dollar yesterday. It was helped on its way by the third monthly trade deficit in a row, even though May's figures were less disastrous than the previous month's, and by a large commercial selling order during the afternoon.

The Bank of England's public pronouncement on Tuesday that it saw no domestic reason for raising interest rates removed some support from sterling's exchange rate against the dollar, which was again propped up by the prospect of higher American interest rates.

In a volatile day on the foreign exchanges, sterling dropped down to $1.3445 before clambering off the bottom to close in London at $1.3475, a fall of 60 points in the day. Dealers said the pound was also looking shaky against continental currencies, although it gained a little help from reports of the latest flare-ups in the Gulf war. Sterling ended 0.2 down on its trade-weighted index at 78.8.

The pound's trade-weighted index is now more than four points below the average for 1983–the level assumed by the Treasury in its post-Budget forecast for 1984.

The pound lost another half a pfennig against the Deutsche mark yesterday, ending at DM.77. The dollar closed up 1.35 pfennigs at DM2.80 in London, although it seemed to be weakening a little in early trading in New York.

Britain's trade deficit declined to £319m last month, from April's record deficit of £838m. The surplus on "invisibles", such as services, is estimated to have remained unchanged at £250m, so the deficit on the full current account decreased from £588m to £69m. This reduces Britain's current account surplus for the year so far to only £182m for five months, compared with a Treasury forecast of £2 billion for the full 12 months.

Looking at three-monthly trends, the trade balance has swung from a surplus of £526m in December-February to a deficit of £1,383m in March-May. The surplus on oil trade fell by £800m, of which official sources attributed about one third to the effect of the coal strike. Total fuel have fallen by 8½ per cent, in volume terms between December-February and March-May, the three months of the miners' strike, while fuel imports have risen 44 per cent.

Total export volume was 2 per cent lower in March-May than in the preceding three months. Even excluding oil, there has been a clear flattening out in the trend, which was rising strongly last year. Imports, however, are still rising; by 7 per cent between the last two three-month periods.

Waddington tops £3m forecast

By Alison Eadie

John Waddington's results to the end of March show the company is in excellent shape to defend itself against a renewed bid from Mr Robert Maxwell of BPCC, who owns 25.5 per cent of the shares. He could try again when rules permit in September.

Waddington beat its own profit forecast of £3m, made during last summer's bid battle, to produce £3.37m pretax against £162,000. Despite a one-for-five rights issue at 375p a share, the shares rose 5p to a new high at 483p

BPCC shares have also risen and the 13-BPCC-for-5-Waddington share offer of last year would still put a small premium on Waddington shares.

Mr Maxwell is expected to take up his rights rather than allow his stake to be diluted to just over 21 per cent. But Waddington is also reasonably confident that other shareholders will take up their rights, depriving Mr Maxwell of the opportunity of mopping up more

● Mr Maxwell announced the formation of a new company in the US. Compucolour International is a joint venture between BPCC and Providence Gravure of Rhode Island. The company will offer a comprehensive electronic pre-press service to the American printing industry.

NEWS IN BRIEF

US bank trader dismissed

Bear Stearns, the US investment bank, has sacked Mr Peter Buer, one of its London Eurobond traders after an internal audit this month.

Bear Stearns said it had suffered a loss of "less than" $3.5m which is not material to the company. The loss will be covered by a Fidelity bond,

● TRIDENT Television "A" shares climbed 6p on the stock market yesterday to 141p after the Department of Trade and Industry announced that it had withdrawn a request for undertakings from Pleasurama not to bid for the company.

● FERRANTI, the computers and electronics group, has increased pretax profits for the year to March 31, from £31.5m to £38.8m. Turnover also increased to £451.7m from £372.2m. A final dividend of 4.4p makes 6.6p for the year against 5.5p last time.

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● Racal pretax profits for the year to March 31, totalled £119.2m (£117.9m). The dividend goes up from 11.01 per cent to 11.56 per cent.

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● Pretax profits at Charter Consolidated for the year to March 31, fell from £45.9m to £37m. The dividend remains unchanged at 11p a share.

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● During 1983 1.87 per cent of the world's 3,100 large tankers were involved in incidents which resulted in serious damage, slightly higher than the 1982 figure of 1.84 per cent

Brazil anger at prime rise burden

From Patrick Knight
Sao Paolo

The Brazilian Government has issued a protest note about the latest rise in the US prime rate of one half a percentage point, which will add $400m (£296.3m) to Brazil's interest payments in a full year. With three other rises this year, its interest bill will now be $2.4bn more than anticipated, and will reach almost $11bn.

There was indignation in Brasilia at the news of the prime rise "which neutralizes all Brazil's efforts in increasing exports", according to a foreign ministry spokesman.

In the protest note, the foreign ministry said that it profoundy regretted the increase in the prime rate. "It will further aggravate the position of the underprivileged countries, weighed down with the heavy onus of the world recession, which has neutralized the tremendous efforts being made to readjust economies, and get trade into balance. We hope that the US Government, and the US banks, will take steps to rectify the situation, and avoid a repetition."

Changes will pay for themselves says chief

Barclays banks on merger

By Peter Wilson-Smith
Banking Correspondent

Barclays Bank group is in the throes of its biggest internal shake-up for years with the merger of its domestic and international operations, Barclays Bank plc and Barclays Bank International. It received Royal Assent for the Bill, which paves the way for the merger, late on Tuesday.

The only outwardly visible sign of the merger, which takes effect at the beginning of next year, will be the disappearance of the BBI name from all the international branches. But internally, the changes underway are profound and will, Barclays expects, much improve the service to big corporate and multinational customers.

Mr Peter Leslie, who has spent much of the last nine months working on the merger, and becomes the first chief general manager of the combined group next year, said: "We have really operated as two banks. Legally we are two banks. There are many aspects where our customers are inconvenienced by the methods we follow."


Peter Leslie: costs of merger 'not significant'

Barclays is keenly aware that the split between domestic and international has sometimes prevented it from giving as good a service to the big corporate clients as the likes of National Westminster. Customers have to go to different parts of the group for different services and the split has also meant expensive duplication of often incompatible computer and accounting systems.

Mr Leslie said: "If you at the corporate market, more and more the products one wants are in fact worldwide Barclays products."

The increasing importance of communications and technology in providing banking services has been another important reason behind the merger. "You need to have a very strong central coordination to establish a really modern communications network around the world.

Mr Leslie also sees benefit arising in the field personal banking services as a result of the merger. It will be easier to provide foreign currency accounts to customers and a unified communications system will simplify moves to global money transmissions and international use of plastic cards.

The costs of the merger, which involve considerable internal upheavals, are not disclosed but are not significant, Mr Leslie says. "We reckon that whatever the costs are involved are going to be self-financing within one or two years."

Michael Prest finds that Paris has other ideas about London's financial dominance in Europe

Ambitious French rebuild commodity markets

Hard by the concrete terraces and glass spikes which Paris has substituted for Les Halles, stands the handsome nineteenth century rotunda of the Bourse de Commerce, boasting a high glass dome roof, heroic murals and a great expanse of marble floor.

The Bourse was built as the centre of commodity trading in France. It has enjoyed mixed fortunes. Today, however, those fortunes are reviving and the Bourse is the focal point of a determined effort to re-establish Paris as a significant force in international futures markets.

The first French futures markets were opened in 1885. By 1939, when war closed the markets, Paris was trading copper, rubber, grains, molasses, Robusta coffee, cocoa and white sugar. But whereas London's markets were re-opened in the 1950s those in Paris followed rather later, with coffee not returning until 1972.

Only white sugar can claim to be successful. Total volume on all the Paris markets has risen steadily from only 100,000 contracts in 1977 to almost 387,000 last year. But of that total in 1983 sugar accounted for 87 per cent, if anything slightly more than in the two preceeding years.

Given the lack of price volatility in the world sugar market it is certainly to Paris's credit that volume has remained buoyant, compared with London. But volumes in Paris are small by London or New York standards.

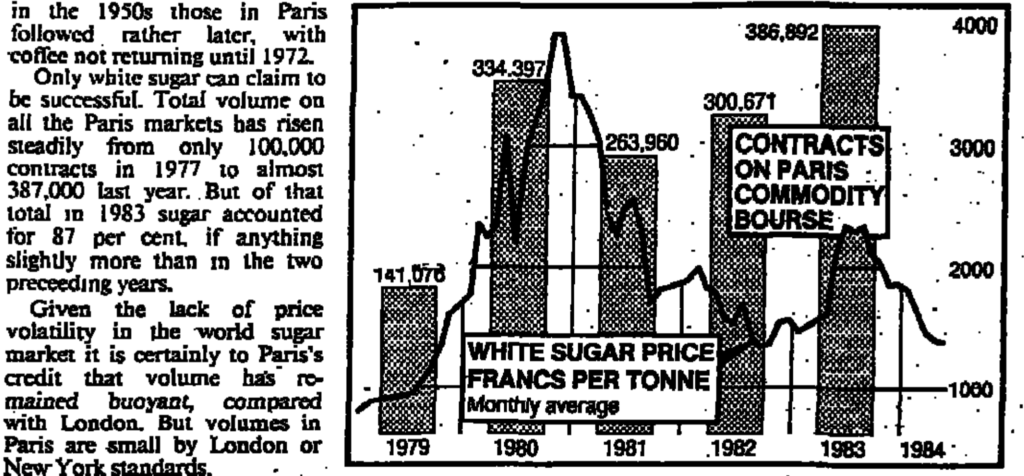
Last year the London raw sugar traded contract more than a million lots while New York handled more than 3 million. The disparity between other Paris contracts and their international rivals is even more glaring.

Nevertheless, there is growing confidence in Pris that it can become an important international futures centre. White sugar has demostrated that Paris can run an orderly and expanding market;

Unfortuantely for Paris's ambitions, talk of an orderly market tends to elicit grins in New York and London. For in 1974 Paris was beset by one of the bigger post-war commodity scandals when one trader who held about 50 per cent of the long positions in the market was unable to meet his obligations. The market collapsed and a squabble between the Finance and Commerce ministries over who had responsibility delayed a settlement.

The debacle left a scar on the collective memory of both traders and investors. Time and circumstances, however, have combined to heal the wound, even if it is still visible. The circumstances are largely those of a slow but steady structural shift in the world sugar trade as the higher-priced white refined sugar has raised its share over the past seven years from about a fifth to a third or about 8.5 million tonnes in 1983.

This trend is likely to continue as producing countries refine futher at home, and EEC beet sugar increases its share of world markets. As much the biggest beet sugar producer in the community, France has been a prime beneficiary. The Paris contract is therfore in the right place at the right time.



But artifice has aided nature. Last year the Compagnie des Commissionaires Agrées (which runs the four soft commodity markets and is equivalent to the London Commodity Exchange, swallowed its national pride. It introduced a method of trading sugar in dollars.

About 30 per cent of volume is now done in dollars.

Mr Daniel Louvel, director general of the Banque Centrale de Compensation (the equivalent of the International Commodities Clearing House in London) says he is now "very happy about sugar. There are lots of traders from Britain, the US, Germany and Holland. It's a genuine international market. About 70 per cent of the trade comes from foreigners."

A healthy sugar contract is the foundation of Paris's ambitions. M Jacques Bachelier, guiding light in Sucres et Denrées Terme, one of the biggest Paris commodity traders, hopes a growing sugar market will have a multiplier effect on other far smaller Paris markets.

But much more is needed to raise Paris to the status of an international centre. The 1974 crisis revealed that the legal status of Paris commodity markets was unclear.

The authorities decided it was an affront to national pride for a country as economically powerful as France not to have working commodity markets.

The first step to strengthen the structure of the markets was the replacement in 1976 of the Caisse de Liquidation, the old clearing house, by the Banque Centrale de Compensation. The BBC is much more heavily capitalized and is backed by the leading French banks, with help from London's ICCH.

The BBC now has greater powers than the ICCH. All brokers and trade users of the market hold deposits with the BCC. The Banque monitors both sides of a transaction and therefore knows at any time exactly what are the positions of buyers and sellers.

The second crucial improvement was passing last July of law number 83-610 intended to regulate the futures comprehensively.

The law's first clause sets up a *Commission des Marchés a* Terme de Merchandises (Commodity Futures Market Commission) on US lines to regulate all France's future markets, including the Lille potato market recently taken under the wing of the Compagnie. Not surprisingly, the extensive powers of La COMT, as the new body was promptly dubbed, have received a guarded welcome.

But the COMT's first president, *Mme Nicole Briot, a civil* servant in the impressive French manner, says her purpose is to protect private investors and to help devolp the market, partly through a consultative council, representing traders, producers and brokers.

Mme Briot has smart offices right next to the Compagnie in the Bourse building. But so far she has no staff, and it looks unlikely that the COMT will be functioning much before the end of the year.

Under this new structure, the *Compagnie's technical* committee is investigating the practicality of moving into new contracts in cocoa butter, pigmeat (a successful new market in London), apples, eggs, metals and financial instruments. Metals and financial instruments present formidable obstacles, but M Henri Azzopardi, head of a Paris trading house called Etlafric, points out that it might be possible to make a market in franc denominated Eurobonds a similar paper.

For its part, the Compagnie is to invest heavily in refurbishing the exchange itself and in a new communication system.

But France faces some formidable problems in trying to rebuild commodity trading. The first is the lack of domestic support. The determination of the authorities is not always matched by public support or even the views of traders.

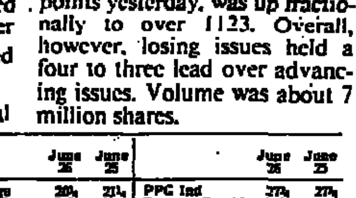
N Bachelier points out that many farmers have not forgotten the great crash of 1936, let alone the sugar debacle of 1974. Frances's extensive and wealthy middle-class, moreover, has preferred property and Switzerland as havens for its savings. A fiscal regime which taxes profits from commodity speculation at the marginal rate and only allows profits to be offset against losses on the same commodity is unlikely to encourage the private speculation which brings liquidity to markets.

Tough exchange controls limit the scope further.

Nothing creates liquidity like liquidity. The present efforts are devoted to breaking this vicious circle. The fact remains, however, that volumes are very low, and the virtual absence of speculative liquidity is not a good omen. Cocoa and coffee are in the hands of French companies dealing with West Africa and with the French franc zone.

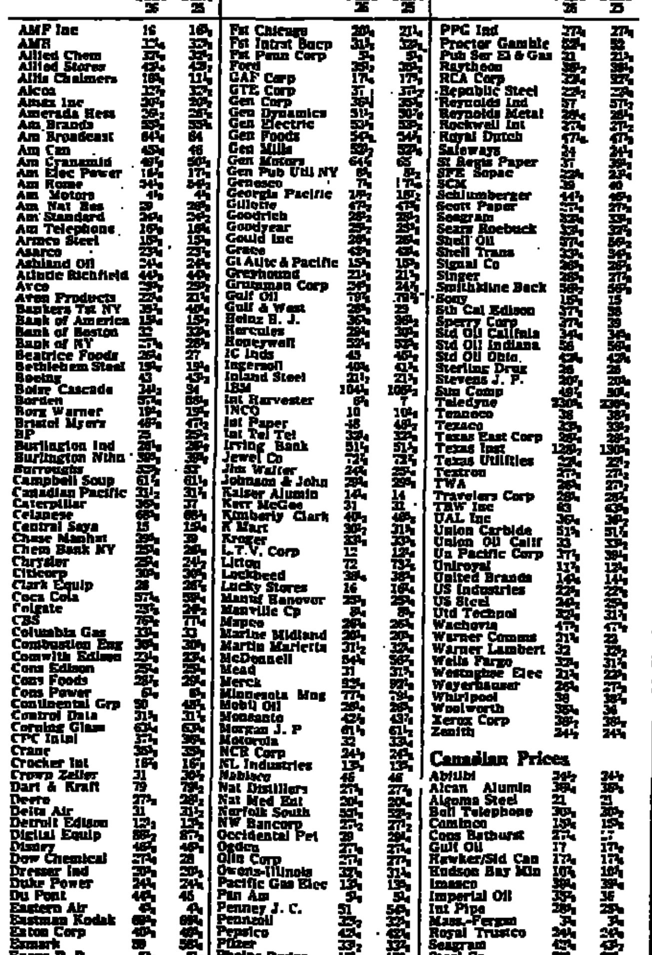
Mr Azzopardi says: "I wouldn't be in these markets if I didn't believe they could grow. "At the same time. M Bachelier recognizes the limits: "We shall never be the US. We shall never be Switzerland. Therefore, we must work with what we have."

WALL STREET



New York. (Reuter) – Wall *Street share prices turned* narrowly mixed after a lower opening as investors continued to watch interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell nearly eight *points yesterday, was up fractio*nally to over 1123. Overall, however, losing issues held a four to three lead over advancing issues. Volume was about 7 million shares.



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Lockheed	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lucky Stores	16	[illegible]
Manuf Hanover	[illegible]	[illegible]
Manville Cp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mapco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Marine Midland	[illegible]	[illegible]
Martin Marietta	[illegible]	[illegible]
McDonnell	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mead	31	[illegible]
Merck	[illegible]	[illegible]
Minnesota Mng	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mobil Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monsanto	[illegible]	[illegible]
Morgan J. P	[illegible]	[illegible]
Motorola	32	[illegible]
NCR Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
NL Industries	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nabisco	45	46
Nat Distillers	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nat Med Ent	[illegible]	[illegible]
Norfolk South	[illegible]	[illegible]
NW Bancorp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Occidental Pet	29	[illegible]
Ogden	[illegible]	[illegible]
Olin Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Owens-Illinois	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Gas Elec	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pan Am	[illegible]	[illegible]
Penney J. C.	51	[illegible]
Pennzoil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pepsico	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pfizer	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phelps Dodge	[illegible]	[illegible]
Philip Morris	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phillips Petrol	[illegible]	[illegible]
Polaroid	[illegible]	28

	June 26	June 25
PPG Ind	[illegible]	[illegible]
Procter Gamble	[illegible]	52
Pub Ser El & Gas	21	[illegible]
Raytheon	[illegible]	[illegible]
RCA Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Republic Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reynolds Ind	57	[illegible]
Reynolds Metal	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rockwell Int	[illegible]	[illegible]
Royal Dutch	[illegible]	[illegible]
Safeways	24	[illegible]
St Regis Paper	37	[illegible]
SFE Sopac	[illegible]	[illegible]
SCM	39	40
Schlumberger	[illegible]	[illegible]
Scott Paper	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seagram	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sears Roebuck	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shell Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shell Trans	[illegible]	[illegible]
Signal Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Singer	[illegible]	[illegible]
Smithkline Beck	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sony	[illegible]	15
Sth Cal Edison	[illegible]	38
Sperry Corp	[illegible]	39
Std Oil Califnia	[illegible]	[illegible]
Std Oil Indiana	56	[illegible]
Std Oil Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sterling Drug	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stevens J. P.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sun Comp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Teledyne	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tenneco	38	[illegible]
Texaco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas East Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas Inst	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas Utilities	[illegible]	[illegible]
Textron	[illegible]	[illegible]
TWA	[illegible]	[illegible]
Travelers Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
TRW Inc	63	[illegible]
UAL Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Carbide	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Oil Calif	33	[illegible]
Un Pacific Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Uniroyal	[illegible]	[illegible]
United Brands	[illegible]	[illegible]
US Industries	[illegible]	[illegible]
US Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]
Utd Technol	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wachovia	[illegible]	[illegible]
Warner Commns	[illegible]	22
Warner Lambert	32	[illegible]
Wells Fargo	[illegible]	[illegible]
Westnghse Elec	[illegible]	[illegible]
Weyerhaeuser	[illegible]	[illegible]
Whirlpool	38	[illegible]
Woolworth	[illegible]	36
Xerox Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Zenith	[illegible]	[illegible]
Canadian Prices		
Abitibi	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alcan Alumin	[illegible]	[illegible]
Algoma Steel	21	21
Bell Telephone	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cominco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Bathurst	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gulf Oil	17	[illegible]
Hawker/Sid Can	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hudson Bay Min	[illegible]	[illegible]
Imasco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Imperial Oil	[illegible]	36
Int Pipe	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mass.-Ferguson	[illegible]	[illegible]
Royal Trustco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seagram	[illegible]	[illegible]
Steel Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Thomson N 'A'	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walker Hiram	[illegible]	[illegible]
WCT	[illegible]	[illegible]

* Ex div. a Asked c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shortage of stock boosts shares

By Wayne Lintott

The stock market staged a broad based, but mainly technical, rally yesterday, as institutions moved in to buy some leading industrial shares while there was a reported shortage of stock.

Some of the buying had been prompted by the Bank of England's statement to help keep domestic interest rates stay at 9.25 per cent but there was still nervousness as the dollar's strength continued to maintain pressure on the pound.

Government securities had a good start but a lack of confidence in the market's ability to sustain the rally caused prices to ease back. Long-dated stock gained ⅞ point at the start while the authorities were active in the market, and rumoured to have operated in some unusual areas, like the Treasury 13¾ per cent 2000/03. This may add up to maverick funding, or alternatively could represent switching to even out the jobbers' positions after delivery of the June contracts.

But it was then that confidence began to ebb. Weak US bond prices – hit by expectations of higher US interest rates – took some of the shine off in late trading, particularly as sterling began to wilt against other leading currencies as well as the dollar. Poor trade figures gave the bulls no help and by the close the ⅞ point gain in longs had turned into ⅞ falls.

But equities shrugged off such gloomy thoughts and the *FT* 30-share index finished the day 12.3 higher at 816.2 while the *FT* SE 10 gained 14 points to close at 1,038.3.

Despite the not unexpected flop of the Enterprise Oil new issue of 212 million shares, oils had a buoyant day following the Iraqi strike at ships at Iran's Kharg Island oil terminal. That did much to wipe out the recent weakness of spot oil prices and BP and Britoil, at 465p and 225p respectively, recouped the week's losses.

Among the day's features was a 28p rise in Stylo to 223p based on *The Times* disclosure yesterday that Stylo assets per share had been revalued to 572p, confirmed by the chairman at the annual meeting later.

British Aerospace ramained an active stock at 375p, up 2p, despite GEC's statement that there was nothing going on to warrant such strength. But, ever wary, the market decided to knock Thorn-EMI shares down 6p to 521p just in case Thron was thinking of re-entering the fray.

At 213, Vaux Breweries should be due for a run, after the success of the stockbroker Panmure Gordon in placing the 800,000 shares which have been overhanging the market since last week. Other bull factors are that Greenall Whitley, not Vaux, is bidding for De Vere Hotels and the brewery sector as a whole is being warmed up by the sunny weather.

A bullish lunch with leading food analysts provided at 10p fillip to Rowntree at 292p while a similar meeting of insurance analysts helped the broker C. E. Heath to firm 10p to 428p

House of Fraser attracted renewed speculative support at 242p, up 12p, on increasingly-vague talk of an outside competitor to Lonrho, whose shares firmed 6p in sympathy to 139p.

Shares of the Rutland brewer G. Ruddle & Company jumped 3p o 178p as the group reported a 44 per cent rise in pretax profits for the year to March and a 21 percent lift in the total net dividend.

On a turnover up 34 per cent to £10m, with an almost matching percentage gain in volumn, pretax profits rose from £464,591 to just over £1m. The dividend, covered 1.6 times by retained earnings, is 4p against 3.3p last time.

Current trading is satisfactory and ahead of the high level achieved last year, but Mr Tony Ruddle, chairman, cautions that although trends continue to be encouraging the group could not sustain anything like last year's rate of growth.

Fielding, Newson-Smith rates Telemetrix a buy in the wake of the price collapse after the announcement that the computer graphics company may miss its £3.2m profit forecast. The Fielding electronics team believes there is enormous demand for products of Westward, the main subsidiary which accounts for about 90 per cent of sales.

The production problems at Westward – a delay in the supply of chips and delayed completion of a factory – meanss group profits are likely to be between £2.5m and £3m. The shares were unchanged at 306p.

Mr Leopold Muller and Mr Leslie Jackson, chairman and managing director of De Vere Hotels and Restaurants, are negotiating to buy back the Mirabelle Restaurant and Connaught Rooms from Greenall Whitley when the north western brewer's £44.5m bid goes through.

The shares were unchanged at 305p.

COMMODITIES

LONDON PRICES — COMMODITY

Rubber in £s per tonne; Coffee, cocoa, sugar in pounds per metric ton; Gas-oil in US $ per metric ton.

RUBBER	
Jul	620–10
Aug	635–25
Sep	640–35
Oct	655–38
Nov	665–57
Dec	680–65
Jan	690–80
Feb	700–90
Mar	712–00
Jul/Sep	650–25
Oct/Dec	660–56
Jan/Mar	699–91

SUGAR	
Aug	144.80–44.60
Oct	152.60–52.40
Dec	161.00–60.80
Mar	177.80–77.60
May	185.00–84.40
Aug	193.60–93.00
Oct	202.00–00.00
Vol:	3627
Tone: Quiet.	

COCOA	
July	1880–79
Sep	1853–51
Dec	1784–82
Mar	1763–60
May	1770–66
July	1780–72
Sep	1796–90
Vol:	4.1302

COFFEE	
July	2265–2258
Sep	2295–2291
Nov	2309–2308
Jan	2232–2229
Mar	2130–2125
May	2075–2070
Vol:	6.647

GAS OIL	
Jun	228.00–27.00
July	230.80–30.25
Aug	234.25–33.75
Sep	238.00–37.25
Oct	242.00–41.25
Nov	244.50–45.50
Dec	247.00–46.50
Jan	249.00–46.00
Feb	248.00–44.00
Vol:	307
Tone: Quiet.	

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices: Official turnover figures.
Prices in pounds per metric ton. Silver in pence per troy ounce.
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE	
Cash	983.00–984.00
Three months	1001.00–1001.50
T/O	9,775
Tone: Steady	
STANDARD CATHODES	
Cash	985.50–986.50
Three months	1000.50–1002.00
T/O	125
Tone: Quiet.	
TIN STANDARD	
Cash	9325–9335
Three months	9277–78
T/O:	1.780
Tone: Very steady.	
TIN HIGH-GRADE	
Cash	9360–9370
Three months	9320–9330
T/O:	140
Tone: Quiet.	
LEAD	
Cash	374.00–378.00
Three months	364.00–366.00
T/O:	9.710
Tone: Easier.	
ZINC	
Cash	629.00–630.00
Three months	635.00–636.00
T/O:	2.625
Tone: Easier.	
SILVER LARGE	
Cash	617.5–618.5
Three months	632.0–633.0
T/O:	28
Tone:	
SILVER SMALL	
Cash	617.5–618.5
Three months	632.0–632.0
T/O:	28
Tone: Idle.	
ALUMINIUM	
Cash	928.50–930.00
Three months	947.00–947.50
T/O:	10.900
Tone: Barely steady.	
NICKEL	
Cash	3540–3544
Three months	3615–3616
T/O	2.436
Tone: Steady.	

LONDON GOLD FUTURES MARKET
In US $ per oz.

Aug	373.60–373.70
Oct	379.80–380.30
Dec	388.50–389.30
Feb	397.50–000.00
Apl	430.10–434.00
Vol	274
Tone: Quiet.	

LONDON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL FUTURES
Rudolf Wolff Financial Services Ltd.

Mnth	Vol	Setlmt
YEN		
Sep'84	—	4254
Dec'84	–	4329
Mar'85	–	–
Comment: Slipping.		
STERLING		
Sep'84	145	1.3640
Dec'84	15	1.3628
Mar'85	–	1.3725
Comment: Under pressure.		
D-MARK		
Sep'84	69	3614
Dec'84	–72	3670
Comment: Weakening.		
SWISS FRANC		
Sep'84	–7	4345
Dec'84	–	4435
Mar'85	–	–
Comment: Quiet.		
EURODOLLARS		
Sep'84	2580	8736
Dec'84	398	8661
Mar'85	169	8620
June'85	29	8590
Sep'85	–	8565
Comment: Improving.		
SHORT STERLING		
Sep'84	684	8985
Dec'84	235	8920
Mar'85	34	8871
June'85	–	8850
Sep'85	–	–
Comment: Improving.		
GILTS		
Jun'84	2266	102.17
Sep'84	2273	101.06
Dec'84	112	100.16
Mar'85	–	100.01
Comment: Weaker.		
LIFFE FTSE		
Jun'84	206	10390
Sep'84	194	10290
Dec'84	1	10290
Comment: Stronger.		

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT and FORWARD RATES

	June 27 (day's range)	June 27 (close)	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.3445-1.3550	$1.3470-1.3780	0.35-0.38c disc	0.91-0.95c disc
Montreal	$1.7685-1.7810	$1.7720-1.7730	0.43-0.53c disc	1.18-1.28c disc
Amsterdam	4.2300-4.2470fl	4.2450-4.2500fl	1¼-¾c prem	3⅝-3¼c prem
Brussels	76.35-76.90f	76.70-76.80f	14-28c disc	33-42c disc
Copenhagen	13.7750-13.8300k	13.8125-13.8225k	2⅞-3⅞ore disc	7-8⅞ore disc
Frankfurt	3.7610-3.7730m	3.7675-3.7725m	1¼-1pf prem	3⅝-3¼pf prem
Lisbon	193.50-195.00e	194.50-195.00e	50-190esc disc	130-545esc disc
Madrid	212.00-212.95p	212.50-212.80p	85-120pst disc	285-350pst disc
Milan	2313.25-2327.00lr	2321-2323lr	10¼-12⅝lr disc	3⅞-3⅛lr disc
Oslo	10.75-10.78k	10.7625-10.7725k	3-3⅞ore disc	8-9ore disc
Paris	11.54-11.58f	11.5650-11.5750f	2⅞-3⅝c disc	8⅛-9⅝c disc
Stockholm	11.0625-11.0900k	11.07-11.08k	3⅛-3⅞ore disc	8-9ore disc
Tokyo	329.50-321.50y	330.50-321.00y	⅞-⅞y prem	2⅞-2⅛y prem
Vienna	26.25-26.50sch	26.38-26.43sch	5⅞-4⅞gro prem	16⅞-13⅞gro prem
Zurich	3.1400-3.1550f	3.1490-3.1470f	1⅝-1c prem	2⅞-3⅝c prem
Dublin	1.2270-1.2360p	1.2300-1.2310p	24-34p disc	73-88p disc

Effective exchange rate compared with 1975 was down 0.2 at 78.8.

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.0940-1.0950
Singapore	2.1285-2.1300
Malaysia	2.3205-2.3220
Australia	0.8615-0.8625
Canada	1.3151-1.3156
Sweden	8.2100-8.2200
Norway	7.9900-8.0000
Denmark	10.2400-10.2600
West Germany	2.7950-2.7960
Switzerland	2.3320-2.3335
Netherlands	3.1490-3.1510
France	8.5830-8.5880
Japan	257.90-258.00
Italy	1721-1723
Belgium (Comm)	56.88-56.93
Hong Kong	7.8165-7.8185
Portugal	143.50-144.50
Spain	157.85-157.90
Austria	19.62-19.64

OTHER £ RATES

Australia	1.5530-1.5561
Bahrein	0.5085-0.5125
Finland	7.9820-8.0020
Greece	147.95-149.95
Hongkong	10.5340-10.5380
Iran	n.a.
Kuwait	0.4015-0.4055
Malaysia	3.1245-3.1289
Mexico	250-275
New Zealand	2.1221-2.1271
Saudi Arabia	4.7375-4.7775
Singpore	2.8660-2.8702
South Africa	1.8195-1.8235

EURO-$ DEPOSITS

(%) calls, 11⅛-10⅝; seven days, 11⅞-11⅝; one month, 11⅞-11⅝; three months, 12⅛-12⅛; six months, 12⅝-12⅝.

Rates Supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Interbank money opened on 8¾-¼ per cent but firmed to 9⅛-8⅞ per cent as the authorities forecast a shortage of £200m.

A little later, as the forecast was revised to "flat", the rate came off to 8½-¼ per cent. There was not much further change until the later half of the afternoon, when the arate hit 9½ per cent before closing about 9-8½ per cent.

Period rates tended to be a shade firmer at six and nine months, but little changed on other maturities.

Once again, there was rather more activity in sterling certificate of deposits than in straight term deposits.

There was some early support at first in the shorter certificate of deposits but this faded in the afternoon, and rates showed little change on balance.

Local authorities kept mostly to notice once again.

Clearing Banks Base Rate 9¼%

Discount Mkt Loans%
Overnight: High 8½ Low 7

Week Fixed: 8⅞-8¾

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	8[illegible]	2 months	8[illegible]
3 months	8⅞	3 months	8[illegible]

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

1 month	[illegible]	1 month	9[illegible]
2 months	9[illegible]	2 months	9[illegible]
3 months	9[illegible]	3 months	9[illegible]
6 months	9[illegible]	6 months	10[illegible]

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	9¼-9	7 months	10¼-10
2 months	9¼-9⅛	8 months	10¼-10
3 months	9⅞-9⅝	9 months	10⅝-10⅛
4 months	10¼-9⅞	10 months	10⅝-10⅛
5 months	10¼-10	11 months	10⅝-10⅛
6 months	10¼-10	12 months	10⅝-10⅛

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates (%)

1 month	8[illegible]	6 months	9[illegible]
3 months	9[illegible]	12 months	10[illegible]

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	8½	3 months	9⅝
7 days	8¾	6 months	9¾
1 month	8⅞	1 year	10⅛

Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 8⅞-8½ Close 9-8½

1 week	8⅞-8⅝	6 months	10-9⅞
1 month	8[illegible]	9 months	10[illegible]
3 months	9[illegible]	12 months	10[illegible]

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 9[illegible] 6 months 10

Finance House Base Rate 9¼%

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1983/84 High	Low	Co	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
148	118	[illegible]	131		4.0	3.1	
79	59	[illegible]	70	–1	1.9	1.4	
533	435	[illegible]	498	+3	12.8	2.6	
104	89½	[illegible]	95		3.8	3.2	
258	226	[illegible]	230	+2	6.0	2.6	
[illegible]							

1983/84 High	Low	Co	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]							

1983/84 High	Low	Co	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]							

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
[illegible]	

TEMPUS

Racal's fallen star sings a siren song

Racal, an erstwhile stock market darling could be up for sale. It had a grim story to tell yesterday, amplifying its January prophecy of doom. The rundown of Opec surpluses has curbed Middle Eastern delight in weapons systems, leading to demand problems for tactical radios. Losses in marine and energy electronics totalled nearly £3m. Development costs of cellular radio came to £2.5m, with worse to come this year.

Hence profits stood still at £119m. The group is now decisively ex-growth. A mere 5 per cent rise in the dividend, plus the £6m drop in interest payable, suggests that Racal is acutely cash conscious and vulnerable to risig American rates.

Like every crashed market superstar, Racal is trumpeting its revamped charms. Profits this year should jump to more than £140m, with Data Communications hitting top gear, especially in the US. Cellular radio prospects are still just as rosy.

Intuitively the market believes that growth stocks, like boxers, never caome back. That leaves the 15 multiple at 224p looking shaky, considering the 50 per cent premium over the market. Theoretically, electronics companies are contra cyclical, but Racal's exposure to the American business cycle, via Data Communications, distorts that argument.

With the British electronics market now splitting up into Plessey-Ferranti and GCE-British Aerospace groupings, outlined below, Racal could end up in the cold.

So does desire for a deal lie behind the trumpetings? Is Racal looking for a white knight? Possibly: but without something special to come, the shares look a sell. Now read on . . .

Ferranti

The only major surprise in Ferranti's results was the tax charge, which shot up from 7 per cent to about 26 per cent on the back of a reduction in advance corporation tax credits. Otherwise, it was the familiar story of steady growth across the board.

The electronics division disappointed and held its own only at the operating profit level due to the cost of setting up a factory which, in turn, will bring its own benefits in 1984/85. However, progress in the other main divisions was sufficient to increase pretax profits by more than 23 per cent to £38.8m.

With the prospects of rapid growth in the electronics division, further improvements in computer systems, particularly on the civil side, and continued expansion of its defence work the future for Ferranti remains bright. It is now working from a solid base, which makes for steady rather than spectacular improvements.

Ferranti is still perhaps the safest investment in a sector which has its problems at the moment, and it certainly does not suffer from the uncertainties which underline Racal's prospects.

The company will be watching with interest the developments between GEC and British Aerospace, which could prompt a defensive link with Plessey. But even without this, the shares are a good core investment. At 634p unchanged on the day, the shares are a hold and must drop a few pence before becoming a buy.

Charter Consolidated

Is Charter Consolidated simply beset by bad luck, or is there something fundamentally wrong? Certainly, there are elements of the fall in pretax profits from £45.9m to £37m which cannot be blamed fairly on Charter itself. But the snail's progress towards reaching a respectable return on capital – a goal publicly announced three years ago – raises deeper questions.

The difference between the overall results for the year to the end of March and the previous similar period can partly be attributed to Anderson Strathclyde. Sales of spare parts to the Coal Board declined as the NCB tried to cut its stocks. National Mine Service, the American company in which Anderson acquired 51 per cent as part of its defence against Charter, lost £2.9m. Anderson's trading profits more than halved to £5.1m.

Anderson's orders appear to be holding up well, but the miners' strike must cast a shadow over this year's performance. Charter's other mining and civil engineering interests – Shand, Beralt and South Crofty – suffered an operating loss of £2.5m against profits last year of £4.2m. It is a reminder that a third of Charter's turnover of £614m, up £200m now that Anderson is inclined, comes from mining and related activities.

Another factor depressing the result was the doubling of interest payable to £15.6m, largely because of NMS and the cost of financing Anderson's stake. If it were not for the £12m realized from selling the RTZ holding, which helped to push the surplus on realizations up to £17.8m from £9.25m, the figures might have looked worse. As it was, earnings per share collapsed from 33.2p to 25.1p

At last night's share price of 205p and with the dividend maintained at 7.25p the yield of 7.7 per cent is hardly a blue chip rating. Charter is now an investment holding and dealing company, with substantial industrial assets, some of which performed well last year. However efficiently those companies are run, Charter must wait for demand. But if demand is poor at this stage in the cycle, what will the next recession bring?

BRAZILIAN STERLING LOANS: DECREE LAW No: 6019
STATE OF BAHIA 5% FUNDING LOAN 1915

Notice is hereby given that for the Sinking Fund of the above Loan for July, 1984, bonds for a nominal amount of £9480 have been drawn for redemption.

The following are the numbers of the bonds drawn for redemption at par on 1st July, 1984, after which date all interest thereon will cease.

774 Bonds for £10 each - Series A

52	125	138	175	178	225	227	251	331	369
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88 Bonds for £10 each - Series B

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18 Bonds for £20 each - Series C

431	457	821	1555	1561	1704	2171	2220	2488	2908
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5 Bonds for £100 each - Series D

45	261	372	375	981

The above bonds should be presented at the London Offices of Lloyds Bank International Limited, listed on the appropriate forms and must bear all coupons subsequent to 1st July, 1984 otherwise the amount of the missing coupons will be deducted from the principal moneys.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● **MORCEAU HOLDINGS:** *Half-year to March 31.* Intm. div. 0.6p, as forecast. Figs in £000: Turnover 4,553 (2,213). Pretax pft. 667 (294). Tax 180 (100). EPS 4.8p (1.9p). Board is confident that the forecast pretax profit, of not less than £1.2m for the full year will be *achieved with a healthy* carry forward of work into 1985.

● **BURNS-ANDERSON:** Half-year to March 31. Intm. div 0.7p (same). Figs. in £000: Turnover 13,203 (15,103). Pretax profit 282 (254). Tax 86 (93). Profit is after absorbing expected start-up trading losses of £32,000 in car-hire purchase offshoot. This subsidary is expected to trade profitably during the second half. The reduction in turnover is due to the motor offshoot, Knibbs, disposing of two petrol forecourts and a downturn in demand for steel reinforcement due to the unsettled conditions in the Middle East.

● **FII LTD:** Half-year to April 30. Intm. div, 1.18p, a 10 per cent *increase. Figs: in £000.* Turnover 25,193 (17,415). Profit before tax 1,062 (905). Tax 425 (362). Minorities 3 (nil). EPS 3.77p (3.62p). Board reports business was quite buoyant during the half-year and the trading performance has been satisfactory in spite of increased expenses. FII has acquired the remaining shares in Torney Bros. (Belfast) so that it now becomes wholly-owned.

● **ASHDOWN INVESTMENT TRUST:** Half-year to May 31. Intm. div 2.3p (2.1p). Figs £000. Pretax revenue 692 (568). Tax 230 (230). Available for ord. 458 (355). EPS 4.2p (3.26p). Nav 427p (395.8p).

● **LEECH/BEAZER ACCEPTANCES:** Acceptances have been received from holders of 7,719 Wm Leech ordinaries (approx 0.05 per cent of the issued ordianry. Acceptances, together with Beazer's existing holding, are 1.92 million shares (approx 12.84 per cent). The offer has been futher extended.

● **BPCC IN US DEAL:** Providence Gravure, a subsidiary of the Providence Journal Company, in partnership with the British Printing and Communication Corporation, has formed a new company – Compulcolor International. It will be offering the American printing and publishing industry a comprehesive "state-of-the-art" electronic pre-press service. For the first time it is said, US printers will be able to drive their engraving systems direct by satellite-transmitted digital data, so ensuring complete image consistency and control. *This multi-million* dollar facility will be built in North Carolina and will be opoerational by the end of this year.

● **ALVA INVESTMENT TRUST:** Year to Feb. 29, 1984. Gross revenue £353,000 (£311,000). Total dividend 8p (10.5p).

● **BRAITHWAITE & CO. ENGINEERS:** Year to March 31 Turnover £7 64m (£11.01m). Pretax profit £336,000 (£1.02m). Total dividend 9.1p (9.1).

● **MUIRHEAD:** Half-year to March 31 Turnover £15.91m (£16.24m). Pretax profit £749,000 (£605,000). Interim dividend 2.25p (2p).

● **PETBOW HOLDINGS:** Year to March 31. Turnover £24.72m (£25.29m). Pretax loss £1.69m (loss £524,000). Total dividend 1p (same). Petbow's board reports that the group is now in much better shape. All British activities have been reorganized into separate profit centres under strengthened management.

● **DANIEL THWAITES:** Year to March 31. Turnover £35.81m (£34.67m). Pretax profit £3.81m (£3.66m). Dividend 7.1p (6.5p).

● **HAMBROS INVESTMENT TRUST:** Year to March 31. Pretax revenue £3.17m (£3.09m). Total dividend 3.7p (3.4p).

● **A-R TELEVISION:** Year to March 31. Pretax profit £8.91m (£7.68m). Total dividend 59p (48.2p).

● **ROCK:** The annual meeting was told that while turnover in April, May and June has not shown the buoyancy of the first quarter a modest profit is in prsopect for the half-year to June 30 and, if present trends continue, a profit for the full year is likely.

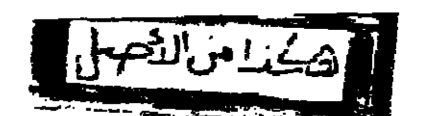
Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	9¼%
Barclays	9¼%
BCCI	9¼%
Citibank Savings †	9¾%
Consolidated Crds	9¼%
Continental Trust	9%
C. Hoare & Co	*9¼%
Lloyds Bank	9¼%
Midland Bank	9¼%
Nat Westminster	9¼%
TSB	9¼%
Williams & Glyn's	9¼%
Citibank NA	9¼%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 6%; £10,000 up to £50,000, 6½%; £50,000 and over, 7¼%.

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CRICKET: ASSESSING THE PROSPECTS OF A TURN-AROUND AT LORD'S

Small comfort for England as Holding fails his fitness test

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

The command performance of the cricket season, the second Test match between England and West Indies at Lord's sponsored by Cornhill, starts today. Preparations have gone well, despite the lack of rain, and yesterday's last-minute team news was to England's advantage. Holding, one of the great West Indian fast bowlers, is unfit to play because of a damaged foot. His place will be taken by Milton Small, who hails, need I say, from Barbados.

Small is 20. Introducing himself to the umpire, Bird, the other day, he said: "You don't know me, but you soon will. I shall be around for a long time." They do not lack confidence, these young giants.

Earlier this year Small was recommended by Hampshire's Barbadian agent as the best replacement they would be likely to find, for this season, for Malcolm Marshall. Soon afterwards the West Indian selectors got to hear of Small and Hampshire were thwarted. He has played one Test match, against Australia at Port of Spain in March, also when Holding was out of action. His figures then were one for 75 in 24 overs.

MCC, who stage today's match, are pleased with the pitch. It is hard and evenly grassed, but not green. Everyone is hoping that the Lord's "ridge" does not rear its ugly head. The West Indian bowlers are enough of a proposition without that. One firm of bookmakers lay 10-1 against England, 5-2 on West Indies and 15-8 against the draw.

It would be optimistic, I suppose, to expect England still to be alive on Tuesday evening. For that to happen, even allowing for Holding's absence, there will need to be a remarkable turn-round of the form shown by the two sides at Edgbaston.

Even when England won their single Texaco Trophy victory, the struggle they had to make the 180 they needed on a good pitch was ominous. In the one-day internationals and the only Test match played so far, England's scores have been 168, 180 for 7, 196 for 9, 191 and 235.

Gower had a point when he said after England had lost at Edgbaston that the reminder they had been given of what it meant to play a Test match against Lloyd's side could be useful. It could also, of course, have been psychologically damaging, but we must hope not.

What Downton established at Edgbaston, when he had the unexpected opportunity of opening England's second innings, was that a basically sound technique, allied to patience, can be proof against the West Indian fast bowlers, at any rate on a placid pitch. When the ball is flying about, nothing is proof against them.

What Lamb and Gower showed from the way they played was that it is no good trying to throw the bat without having first got a good sight of the ball. The hittable balls, bowled by Garner and Marshall, are very few, and therefore all the more tempting when they come along. But even they must be treated with discretion.

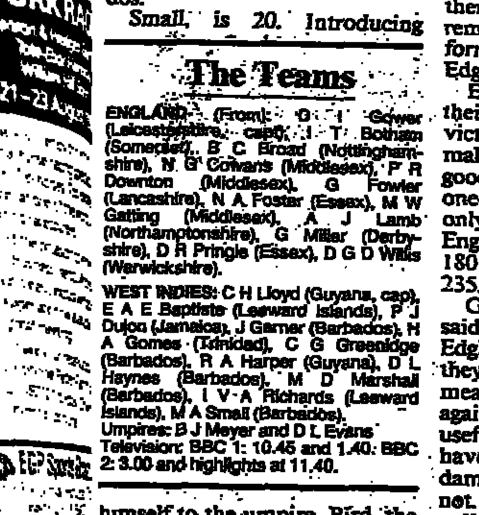
The lessons of Edgbaston are there to be learnt. There were far too many no-balls. Pringle bowled 18, Willis more. Gower will have been encouraged, I hope, to change his bowling around, not for the sake of it but as a way of exercising his options. It made no sense to pick Miller as a bowler and yet not to give him an over until West Indies were 260 for three.

The decision to bat first, rather than take advantage of a pitch that started damp, also weighed heavily with England. A sense of regret at having done so must have accompanied Gower on each of his short visits to the wicket.

A friend writes: "Can we not find a system of handicapping, as in horse-racinng, to make the matches a little less one-sided? Say, making Richards and Lloyd carry a few 10lb weights in their pockets and the bowlers strap one arm to their sides?" Well, I can see England winning a level match one day, let alone a handicap one, if they take their chances and at some time or other have something helpful to bowl on.

In 1980, when they also lost the first Test match against West Indies, they drew the next four, albeit with a side which at different times contained 11 players who are now banned. At Lord's against an attack of Roberts, Holding, Garner and Croft, Gooch played "with authority and power seldom seen from an Englishman in the last 15 years or so" (*Wisden*). Anything Gooch can do, Gower, Botham, Lamb and Gatting could do, too.

If that were not so, the tickets would not have sold so well. To accommodate 26,000 people, the boundary on the Grand Stand side has been shortened to something like 65 yards. The match is the twelfth between England and West Indies at Lord's. England won four of the first five (1928, 1933, 1939 and 1959). West Indies won for the first time in 1950 (with those two little pals of mine, Ramadhin and Valentine), and again in 1973. But of the last six matches, five have been drawn.



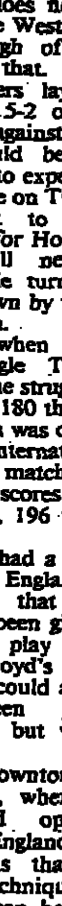
The Teams

ENGLAND (From): G Fowler (Lancashire), D I Gower (Leicestershire, capt), I T Botham (Somerset), B C Broad (Nottinghamshire), N G Cowans (Middlesex), P R Downton (Middlesex), N A Foster (Essex), M W Gatting (Middlesex), A J Lamb (Northamptonshire), G Miller (Derbyshire), D R Pringle (Essex), R G D Willis (Warwickshire).

WEST INDIES: C H Lloyd (Guyana, capt), E A E Baptiste (Leeward Islands), P J Dujon (Jamaica), J Garner (Barbados), H A Gomes (Trinidad), C G Greenidge (Barbados), R A Harper (Guyana), D L Haynes (Barbados), M D Marshall (Barbados), I V A Richards (Leeward Islands), M A Small (Barbados).

Umpires: B J Meyer and D L Evans.

Television: BBC 1: 10.45 and 1.40; BBC 2: 3.00 and highlights at 11.40.





Broad and Small: a batsman setting his cap at England, a bowler his sights for West Indies.

Put to the sword by a man in a thousand

By Peter Ball

TRENT BRIDGE: Yorkshire, with 8 first-innings wickets in hand are 363 runs behind Nottinghamshire

Yorkshire won the toss yesterday. Until the evening, when Boycott was dropped, it was the only thing to go right for them as they elected to field on a green-looking wicket but were comprehensively put to the sword by Robinson and Randall, both scoring centuries as they shared a second-wicket stand of 265 in 67 overs.

Robinson, who came into the match with scores of 171 and 85 not out in his last match, lost little time in picking up where he had left off at Grace Road. He played a series of forceful legside shots as Yorkshire's bowlers frequently strayed down the wrong line and offered little encouragement for the decision to put Nottinghamshire in to bat.

He clearly has a taste and the temperament for playing long innings. Apart from a hard pull dropped by Sharp at midwicket when he was 53, he did not give a chance in a stay lasting two minutes under five hours, hitting 21 four and a straight six as he became the third Englishman to reach a thousand runs for the season.

Randall, who came in at 55 when Hassan's uppish cut was held in the gully to give Yorkshire their onlysuccess in this first two sessions, has been in less prolific form recently and was initially the quieter partner as beset about getting a big innings under his belt. He hit only four boundaries compiling his first 50, which took 137 minutes.

Thereafter he matched Robinson's freedom, his second 50 taking 63 minutes, and he raced through the nineties with a four, a straight six again off the otherwise tidy Carrick, and then a firmly struck cover drive brought him to his first championship century of the season.

Both departed hitting out, Robinson mistiming a pull as tiredness at last affected him and Randall's sojourn of 255 minutes ending as he hit Dennis to long on in search of his eleventh boundary.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings	
B Hassan c Carrick b Oldham	23
R T Robinson c Love b Jarvis	169
D W Randall c Metcalfe b Dennis	136
†C E B Rice not out	31
J D Birch c Bairstow b Dennis	14
*B N French run out	1
K Saxelby not out	4
Extras (b 1, l-b 3, w 2, n-b 6)	12
Total (5 wkts dec. 100 overs)	390

R J Hadlee, E E Hemmings, K E Cooper and P M Such did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–55, 2–320, 3–356, 4–377, 5–378.

BOWLING: Sidebottom 16-4-73-0; Dennis 21-1-78-2; Jarvis 18-0-89-1; Oldham 23-3-68-1; Boycott 3-0-4-0; Carrick 19-1-69-0.

YORKSHIRE: First Innings	
G Boycott not out	21
A A Metcalfe c Randall b Hadlee	5
P W Jarvis c Hassan b Hadlee	5
K Sharp not out	0
Extras (b1)	1
Total (2 wkts 12 overs)	27

J D Love, P E Robinson, *D L Bairstow, P Carrick, A Sidebottom, S J Dennis and S Oldham to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–23, 2–23.

Bonus points (to date): Nottinghamshire 4, Yorkshire 2.

Umpires: K E Palmer and P B Wight.

Downton prize winning game

The England wicketkeeper, Paul Downton, has won £500 for himself and £500 for his county, Middlesex. This results from a new sponsorship offered by the Clarendon Court Hotel, who have provided a trophy and £1,000 open to both Middlesex and visiting players for an outstanding fielding performance in matches at Lord's.

Downton won this first award with his three catches and a stumping in a John Player Special League match against Leicestershire last July.



Gooch: glorious 227

Gooch hits top score of his career

Gooch underlined his status as England's top batsman with a career-best 227 against Derbyshire at Chesterfield. The Essex opener's glorious innings, coming on the eve of the second Test against the West Indies, must have severely embarrassed the England selectors.

Gooch, banned from Test cricket for three years after his part in the rebel tour to South Africa, has now scored five centuries this summer, one of them against the West Indies last Sunday.

Alan Lewis Jones hit his second century of the season as Glamorgan totalled 327 all out against Middlesex at Swansea. Jones hit 18 fours in his 122 scored in 253 minutes, and was sixth out at 240 after sharing stands with Ontong, Ahmed and Holmes.

After Jones's departure, Steele, Davies and Davis all weighed in with useful contributions to ensure Glamorgan picked up maximum batting points.

David Smith, the former Surrey batsman, completed his first century for Worcestershire and then went on to a career-best 176 not out against Kent at New Road.

The 24-year-old left-handed hit 24 boundaries in 347 minutes, as Worcesteshire backed their hope that the pitch will assist spin by batting all day to score 419 for six.

Challenge for leading all-rounders

Five of the world's leading cricketers are to compete in a £22,000 "all-rounders" challenge at Taunton in September. It is hoped that the event, sponsored by Silk Cut, will end all arguments about the identity of the world's top all-rounder.

England's Ian Botham will face Kapil Dev (India), Richard Hadlee (New Zealand), Malcolm Marshall (West Indies) and Clive Rice (South Africa).

The winner will receive £6,000, with £5,000 going to the runner-up, £4,000 for third place, £3,000 for the fourth and £2,000 for the fifth man.

Each challenger will bat for 16 overs, receiving four overs in separate spells from the other four competitors. His total score will be divided by his number of innings, producing a batting average which will then be multiplied by the number of wickets he takes during his 16 overs with the ball.

There will be squad of fielders from Somerset and Gloucestershire and England's two top wicket-keepers, Paul Downton and Bob Taylor.

The kind of batting for statisticians

By Richard Streeton

TAUNTON: Somerset, with all first innings wickets in hand, are 200 runs behind Leicestershire.

Leicestershire's 22-point lead in the championship table proved an inhibiting factor yesterday. This was one explanation, perhaps, for their unenterprising batting on a pitch which lacked both grass and pace and against bowling which was steady rather than threatening.

Somerset dismissed their opponents for 254 and Roebuck and Wyatt came unscathed through the final 23 overs of a sunny, though breezy day. Wyatt survived a sharp chance to forward short leg in Roberts' first over.

It was not until Clift and Parsons, the seventh-wicket pair, came together that Leicestershire's run rate rose above little more than two an over. Raising my cap to David Oldam, the Somerset scorer, Butcher hit eight fours in his 44 but made only 17 scoring strokes from 119 balls; the ratio for Willey was 21 scoring strokes from 99 balls; and for Boon, who hit three fours and 21 singles, it was 30 from 124 balls.

These sort of details are not welcomed by those who see cricket as more than a statistical exercise. Simplifying it a little, Leicestershire reached 150 in the sixty-sixth over and 200 for their second bonus point, in the eighty-first over. Cutting the cackle, it was dull and tedious batting, not completely justified by the conditions.

Dredge, as always perservering and commitied, finished with four wickets. Davis was unfortunate with his slip fieldsmen, who dropped Butcher early and late in his innings, and Clift when he was only six. Marks had a lengthy and thoughtful spell into the wind, but it was Lloyds, his replacement, who made more impact. Lloyds bowled Garnham with his fourth ball and had Boon caught behind trying to cut, in his third over.

By lunch Whitaker had gone, leg-before aiming a legside stroke, and Butcher had missed an intended sweep. Willey, clearly aware of the tactical needs, lifted a drive and Davis, moving to his right, took a good tumbling catch at mid-off. Briers was filling the vacancy left by Gower's absence. He had been out of form but never hesitated to try and punish the loose ball before he let himself down by wafting airily outside the offstump.

Clift off-drove a six against Lloyds and he and Parsons added 54 in 13 overs before Clift was caught at first slip. Parsons fell in the same over, though Leicestershire scraped another bonus point before their innings ended.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings	
J J Whitaker l-b-w b Dredge	13
I P Butcher l-b-w b Marks	44
*P Willey c Davis b Dredge	37
T J Boon c Gard b Lloyds	45
N E Briers c Gard b Palmer	20
†M A Garnham b Lloyds	9
P B Clift c Lloyds b Dredge	49
G J Parsons c Gard b Dredge	11
A M E Roberts not out	10
N G B Cook c Lloyds b Palmer	8
J P Agnew b Palmer	2
Extras (b 1, l-b 5)	6
Total (91 overs)	254

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–34, 2–82, 3–104, 4–144, 5–172, 6–180, 7–234, 8–235, 9–252, 10–254.

BOWLING: Davis 21-3-57-0; Dredge 20-6-48-4; Crowe 8-2-22-0; Palmer 13-3-38-3; Marks 19-5-44-1; Lloyds 10-3-41-2.

SOMERSET: First Innings	
P M Roebuck not out	19
J G Wyatt not out	34
Extras (b 1)	1
Total (no wkt, 23 overs)	54

Bonus points (to date): Somerset 4, Leicestershire 3

Umpires: B Leadbeater and R A White

Millfield Old Boy in Rolls-Royce century

By Marcus Williams

BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire have scored 356 against Sussex.

There can be few lovelier urban settings to watch cricket than Dean Park, surrounded by its trees and grand houses. Yesterday, as if to emphasize the posh surroundings, there were Rolls-Royces and other big cars around the ground and batting to match from Terry, Hampshire's opening batsman.

The tall and correct old boy of the Millfield sporting academy scored his fourth hundred of the summer. The contributions of the rest of the side were modest until Cowley opened up in the evening with a hard-hit 80 containing three sixes, eight fours and a five. With the ball already turning, Hampshire will be satisfied with their first-innings total.

Pocock chose to bat first on a grassless pitch. On a hot day but with enough breeze to flutter the flags by the sponsors' marquees, Hampshire were facing Waller's left-arm slows by the eighth over. He quickly found the edge of Terry's bat and was a threat all day, though with little return. Waller and the fast-medium Reeve, supported as the bowlers were for most of the time by keen fielding, kept Perry and Smith under control and 50 did not come until the twenty-eighth over.

Helped by an expensive spell from Greig, the next 50 took only 11 overs but just before lunch Waller drew Smith down the pitch and he was stumped well out of his ground.

Perry was 68 at lunch and continued to steer his polished course afterwards, sweeping and driving Barclay's off spin and once cracking Waller straight for six. He shared stands of 62 with Nicholas, leg before offering no stroke on the front foot, and 56 with Jesty, caught at slip off Colin Wells.

Wells, who had previously been struck for four fours in an over by Terry, eventually trapped him in the last over before tea playing a tired stroke to gully. He had battled for 268 minutes, hit 21 fours and passed his thousand runs for the season.

Pocock went cheaply, bt Cowley, moving gradually into top gear, and Tremlett produced an invaluable sixth-wicket partnership of 111 in 28 over to carry the total well past 300. The last 80 runs had come off only 13 overs before Cowley hit a skier to long-on, and in a late rush for runs the final four wickets went cheaply.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings	
V P Terry c Waller b C M Wells	138
C L Smith st Gould b Waller	29
M C J Nicholas l-b-w b Reeve	24
T E Jesty c Barclay b C M Wells	16
*N E J Pocock b le Roux	9
N G Cowley c A P Wells b Barclay	80
T M Tremlett b Barclay	32
E L Reifer l-b-w b Reeve	6
C A Conner st Gould b Barclay	0
R J Maru run out	9
†R J Parks not out	3
Extras (l-b 11, n-b 1)	12
Total	356

Score at 100 overs: 257 for 5

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–101, 2–153, 3–209, 4–214, 5–228, 6–337, 7–343, 8–343, 9–348, 10–356.

BOWLING: le Roux 13-3-33-1; Reeve 25-8-65-2; Waller 44-18-87-1; Greig 5-0-29-0; Barclay 24.3-3-83-3; C M Wells 7-3-27-2.

SUSSEX: D J Wood, A M Green, *J R T Barclay, P W G Parker, C M Wells, A P Wells, I A Greig, †I J Gould, D A Reeve, G S le Roux and C E Waller.

Umpires: J Birkenshaw and A Jepson.

David Lawrence, Gloucestershire's 20-year-old fast pace bowler, took a career-best five for 64 as Lancashire were hustled out by their fellow strugglers at Old Trafford.

Coventry win two at last gasp

By Michael Berry

Coventry and North Warwickshire, enjoying a successful season in local club cricket, squeezed into the last 32 of the William Younger national championship with a last-over win against Old Northamptonians. Played over 20 overs, Coventry overcame the ONs' 119 for five in a tense finish with Davis making 36 and Flick, the wicket-keeper, a vital 22 not out. Remarkably, they beat Stratford off the last ball on the following day to maintain their position as leaders of the Midlands club championship.

Coventry now meet Moseley, and the winners face Old Hill in the last 16. Old Hill, a strong bet, had little discomfort in polishing off Bowdon by eight wickets. Watson, 35 not out, and Oliver, formerly of Warwickshire, with an unbeaten 33, saw them home.

Scarborough dismissed Lyntz by nine wickets and in the south-west, Paignton, who have Jeff and Ray Tolchard opening the batting for them, beat Truro by four wickets.

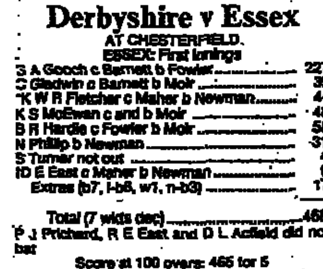
Bishops Stortford and Finchley both won on Tuesday. Finchley beat Richmond while a fine innings from Smith, an all-rounder, helped Stortford defeat Ingham to win an intriguing tie against Blackheath.

In the Whitbread Village Cup, Quarndon, the holders, inched through by one run against Old Netherseal Colliery. Meeting in their regional final for the third consecutive year, the colliery came closest yet to toppling Quarndon. Replying to a totoal of 124 for eight, they lost their last wicket on 123.

Troon bowled out Beacon for 101 to go through, but Sessay and Langleybury both made unexpected exits. Sessay lost to Forge Valley, while Cople overwhelmed Langleybury by 102 runs in their 234 for eight. Lightfoot, both secretary and skipper, scored 158 not out.

Close to a century was Needham, one of the competition's prolific scorers, in St Fagans' victory over Carew. He made an undefeated 94. Into the last 32 in their first season are both Redlynch from Wiltshire and Bramshall from Staffordshire.

YESTERDAY'S OTHER COUNTY SCOREBOARDS



Derbyshire v Essex

AT CHESTERFIELD

ESSEX: First Innings	
G A Gooch c Barnett b Fowler	227
C Gladwin c Barnett b Moir	39
*K W R Fletcher c Maher b Newman	44
K S McEwan c and b Moir	48
B R Hardie c Fowler b Moir	58
N Phillip b Newman	31
S Turner not out	4
†D E East c Maher b Newman	0
Extras (b7, l-b8, w1, n-b3)	17
Total (7 wkts dec)	468

P J Prichard, R E East and D L Acfield did not bat

Score at 100 overs: 465 for 5

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–142, 2–297, 3–343, 4–401, 5–452, 6–468, 7–468.

BOWLING: Finney 23-3-74-0; Newman 27-4-123-3; Roberts 16-0-91-0; Moir 29-3-119-3; Fowler 4-0-29-1; Barnett 3-0-15-0.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings	
*K J Barnett l-b-w b Phillip	17
I S Anderson not out	23
†B J M Maher not out	0
Extras (l-b 1, n-b 1)	2
Total (1 wkt 12 overs)	42

A Hill, J E Morris, J H Hampshire, W P Fowler, R J Finney, B Roberts, P G Newman and D G Moir to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–41.

Bonus points (to date): Derbyshire 2, Essex 4.

Umpires: D J Constant and C Cook.

Northants v Warwicks

AT NORTHAMPTON

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings	
K D Smith c Cook b Hanley	0
R I H B Dyer l-b-w b Mallender	1
A I Kallicharran b Walker	26
D L Amiss c Bailey b Steele	121
†G W Humpage c Steele b Walker	55
P A Smith c Mallender b Hanley	33
A M Ferreira not out	76
C Lethbridge c Williams b Mallender	41
C M Old b Walker	4
G C Small c sub b Mallender	9
*N Gifford not out	6
Extras (b 2, l-b 7, w 1, n-b 18)	
Total (9 wkts dec)	400

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–0, 2–3, 3–48, 4–165, 5–239, 6–272, 7–365, 8–371, 9–380.

BOWLING: Hanley 21-4-73-2; Mallender 18-2-72-3; Walker 24-5-116-3; Steele 23-11-53-1; Larkins 6-1-11-0; Williams 15-7-47-0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings	
*G Cook not out	8
W Larkins not out	6
Total (no wkt, 7 overs)	14

BOWLING: M J Bamber, R J Boyd-Moss, R G Williams, R J Bailey, D S Steele, †G Sharp, N A Mallender, A Walker and R W Hanley to bat.

Bonus points: (to date) Northamptonshire 2, Warwickshire 4.

Umpires: J H Harris and D O Oslear

Glamorgan v Middx

AT SWANSEA

GLAMORGAN: First Innings	
J A Hopkins b Fraser	5
A L Jones b Edmonds	122
R C Ontong c Tomlins b Emburey	27
Younis Ahmed run out	21
G C Holmes c Slack b Edmonds	25
C J C Rowe b Edmonds	0
J F Steele b Hughes	28
†T Davies l-b-w b Emburey	32
W W Davis l-b-w b Emburey	27
*M W W Selvey not out	3
S R Barwick c Radley b Williams	6
Extras (b 8, l-b 5, n-b 18)	31
Total (100.2 overs)	327

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–7, 2–61, 3–103, 4–193, 5–193, 6–240, 7–280, 8–312, 9–315, 10–327.

BOWLING: Williams 15.2-3-65-1; Fraser 16-2-68-1; Hughes 19-4-64-1; Edmonds 28-3-72-3; Emburey 22-8-37-3.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings	
W N Slack not out	17
R G P Ellis b Davis	18
S P Hughes not out	7
Extras (l-b 1, n-b 5)	6
Total (1 wkt, 13 overs)	48

C R Cook, K P Tomlins, C T Radley, *J E Emburey, P H Edmonds, N F Williams, †C P Metson and A Fraser to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1–38.

Bonus points to date: Glamorgan 4, Middlesex 4.

Umpires: P K Eele and M J Kitchen.

Worc v Kent

AT WORCESTER

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings	
M J Weston c Tavaré	13
T S Curtis c Johnson b Underwood	65
D M Smith not out	176
*P A Neale l-b-w b Ellison	17
Kapil Dev c Potter b Alderman	42
D B d'Oliveira c Johnson b Alderman	60
†D J Humphries l-b-w b Alderman	0
P J Newport not out	29
Extras (b 4, l-b 9, w 1, n-b 3)	17
Total (6 wkts)	419

R K Illingworth, J D Inchmore and A P Pridgeon to bat.

Score at 100 overs: 351 for 4.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–41, 2–154, 3–181, 4–268, 5–385, 6–385.

KENT: N R Taylor, L Potter, *C J Tavaré, D G Aslett, C S Cowdrey, G W Johnson, R M Ellison, †S A Marsh, D L Underwood, T M Alderman and K B S Jarvis.

Bonus points (to date): Worcestershire 4, Kent 1.

Umpires: B Dudleston and J W Holder.

Surrey v Cambridge U

AT BANSTEAD

SURREY: First Innings	
D B Pauline c Davies b Grimes	13
G S Clinton c Burnley b Pollock	37
A J Stewart c Grimes b Garlick	28
*G P Howarth c Davies b Pollock	0
A Needham c Braddy b Pollock	9
†N J Falkner not out	101
I R Payne c Andrew b Pollock	13
M A Feltham c Davies b Garlick	23
K Medlycott not out	117
Extras (b 4, l-b 14, w 4)	22
Total (7 wkts)	361

N S Taylor and P A Waterman to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–21, 2–68, 3–74, 4–87, 5–92, 6–116, 7–172.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: C R Andrew, I D Burnley, M N Braddy, P G P Roebuck, D G Price, †A G Davies, A K Golding, *A J Pollock, T A Cotterell, A D H Grimes and P Garlick.

Umpires: H D Bird and M B Heath.

Lancashire v Gloucs

AT OLD TRAFFORD

LANCASHIRE: First Innings	
J A Ormrod c Stovold b Bainbridge	48
M R Chadwick c Athey b Lawrence	8
S J O'Shaughnessy c Athey b Shepherd	43
N H Fairbrother b Lawrence	8
*J Abrahams c Russell b Lawrence	3
J Simmons c Athey b Shepherd	18
S T Jefferies c Russell b Sainsbury	3
M Watkinson not out	26
P J W Allott run out	4
I Folley c Russell b Lawrence	2
†J Stanworth b Lawrence	3
Extras (b 4, l-b 7)	11
Total (80.3 overs)	197

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–21, 2–87, 3–110, 4–120, 5–120, 6–154, 7–175, 8–185, 9–189, 10–197.

BOWLING: Lawrence 20.3-4-64-5; Shepherd 20-6-42-2; Sainsbury 18-4-43-1; Bainbridge 22-5-37-1.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings	
A W Stovold not out	52
P W Romaines not out	34
Extras (l-b 1)	1
Total (no wkt, 38 overs)	87

C W J Athey, Zaheer Abbas, P Bainbridge, J N Shepherd, *D A Graveney, †R C Russell, C Dale, D V Lawrence and G E Sainsbury to bat.

Bonus points (to date): Lancashire 1, Gloucestershire 4.

Umpires: J A Jameson and R Julian

ZURICH: Zola Budd, Britain's South African-born middle distance runner, has been invited to a meeting here in August, when she could run against Mary Decker and Tatana Kazankina in the 3000m (Reuter reports).

As well as the full United States' Olympic team, powerful contingents from the Soviet Union, East Germany, Poland and Czechoslovakia – nations who are all boycotting their summer games – are expected. Britain, France and West Germany are also planning to send strong teams.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

SECOND TEST MATCH
LORD'S: England v West Indies (11.00 to 6.00)
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP (11.00)
CHESTERFIELD: Derbyshire v Essex.
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Middlesex.
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Sussex.
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Gloucestershire.
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Warwickshire.
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire.
TAUNTON: Somerset v Leicestershire.
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Kent.
Other match
BANSTEAD: Surrey v Cambridge University (11.30 to 6.30).
Women's match
LEICESTER: East Midlands v New Zealand.
SECOND ELEVEN CHAMPIONSHIP: Essex v Sussex (Chelmsford); Glamorgan v Gloucestershire (Usk); Leicestershire v Lancashire (Leicester); Warwickshire v Worcestershire (Olton); Yorkshire v Nottinghamshire (Bradford).
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Staffordshire v Bedfordshire (Leek).
TOUR MATCH: Minor Counties XI v Kenya (Mortlake).

ATHLETICS

Coe addresses Elliott from another country

From Pat Butcher, Oslo

The "two nations" theory is not peculiar to England. Boarding houses in Oslo often advertise their rooms with "Northlanders need not apply", and it was a subject that Sebastian Coe wished to comment on yesterday before talking about his race here tonight.

Peter Elliott, ignored by the British selectors for the Olympic 1,500 metres in favour of Coe, despite Elliott's defeat of the Olympic champion in the AAA 1,500 on Sunday, had implied that favouritism begins south of Watford.

I do not doubt that Elliott, an honest, if somewhat naive young man from Rotherham, who works on the factory floor at British Steel in Sheffield, was deliberately led into making such a statement. And Sebastian Coe points out: "For 20 of my 27 years, I lived in Sheffield, eight miles away from Peter."

On to the more serious stuff, however. Coe and Steve Ovett, as distant yet also as inseparable as north and south, head a contingent of more than 40 British athletes – half the Olympic team – in the Bislet meeting here this evening.

Coe, in the 800 metres, runs against a man suffering as acutely as Elliott from Olympic withdrawal symptons. James Robinson ran 1 min 43.92 sec last week, the fourth fastest time in the world this year. Yet he failed to make his Olympic team. For that time was only good enough for fourth place in the "sudden death" United States trials, in which the first three get selected. If Robinson can reproduce that form, Coe, who said yesterday that he still considered himself only 80 per cent ready, should get a good work-out six weeks before the Olympics and also get under his target of 1 min 45 sec.

Steve Ovett should have a comparatively easier run in he 1,500 metres now that Said Aouita, of Morocco, who beat Ovett in the world championships last year, is out, due to an Achilles tendon injury which may yet jeopardize his Olympic chances.

Neither is Sydney Maree, lately qualified for the United States Olympic team coming. But Jose-Luis Gonzales, of Spain, and Jose Marajo, of France, Olympic finalist at both 800m and 1,500m in Moscow, and Ray Flynn of Ireland, who won the AA 5,000m so impressively on Sunday, should make Ovett stretch out to a time that will also be a good preparation for the Olympics.

For the best all-round competition, the 400m is unbeatable. And Tod Bennett, so impressive while preparing in 200m races this season, is out to prove that Darren Clark, of Australia, who retained his AA title last weekend, is not unbeatable. Mike Paul, of Trinidad, Mike Franks, of the US and Phil Brown have an unenviable supporting role, since they are usually race favourites themselves.

Elliott is England's choice for 1,500m

Peter Elliott, the man in the middle of an olympic selection controversy, returns to the track on Sunday in an under-23 international in Brussels. He runs a 1,500 metres for England against Belgium and Yugoslavia.

The 21-year-old Yorkshireman lost a Los Angeles place at that distance to Sebastian Coe, despite beating him in the AAA's championships. Elliott, who has to be satisfied with a place in the 800 metres, is one of six olympic athletes in the England team. The others are the sprinter Donovan Reid, the 400 metres pair Todd Bennett and Phil Brown, steeplechaser Paul Davies-Hale who runs a 3000 flat race, and the triple jumper John Herbert.

ENGLAND: 100m: L Asquith, D Reid; 200m: Asquith, Reid; 400m: T Bennett, P Brown; 800m: I Billy, P Larkins; 1500m: P Elliott, J Buckner; 3000m: P Davies-Hale, M Chorlton; 300m Steeplechase: K Baker, M Roberts; 110m Hurdles: M Whitby, M Robertson; High Jump: A Kruger, T Whittle; Long Jump: F Salle, D Burgess; Triple Jump: J Herbert, M Makin; Pole Vault: W Davey, A Ashurst; Shot: P Mardle, W Cole; Discus: Mardle, P Read; Javelin: M Humphries, M Hill; Hammer: D Smith, M Jones; 4x400m Relay: from Brown, Bennett, D Redmond, V Espray, S Heard.

● The following additions have been made to the British team for the Olympic Games:

MEN: 200m: B Watson, 400m Hurdles: M Gillingham, P Beattie. Triple Jump: I J Herbert.

WOMEN: 400m Hurdles: G Taylor 400 metres: M Scutt, H Barnett. 4x400 metres relay squad: Scutt, Barnett, J Hoyte-Smith, J Parry, T Lawton and Taylor.

Treble for Matthews

By David Powell

Bob Matthews fulfilled the prediction made by John Anderson, David Moorcroft's coach, that he would win three gold medals in the world disabled championships by adding the 800 metres title yesterday to his weekend successes at 1,500 metres and 5,000 metres.

He emerged from competition on New York's Long Island as Britain's most successful competitor and is now European and world champion and world record holder in the totally blind category for all three distances.

He improved his 800 metres record to 2min 02.33 sec, having won the 1,5000 metres in 4:19 and the 5,000 metres in 16:36. Aged 23, he runs with a guide linked to him by an 18in length of rope. His best times (4:13 for 1,500m; 16:08 for 5,000m) would be good enough to win some lower division Southern League races.

YACHTING

Irish Dragons still roaring ahead

By John Nicholls

Irish boats continued to set the pace on the third day of the Edinburgh Cup series for Dragons, sponsored by Beefeater Gin at Cowes yesterday. There are only six of them in the fleet of 47, yet they filled the first four places on a day that ought to have favoured the local boats. Alan Crosbie savoured the satisfaction of the winner's gun, after the disappointment of losing his second place the previous day on protest.

Tony O'Gorman had what for him can onlye called a poor result after winning the first two races, finishng fourth after uncharacteristically dropping a place on the final windward leg. The same four boats were always at the head of the fleet, with Crosbie's Isolde leading around every mark.

Tarasque (Mike Cotter) and Alphida (Connor Doyle) both had a turn in second place, with O'Gorman's Galax always third until that final beat. The highest-placed British boat and lying second overall on points, was again Warlord, sailed by Philip Tolhurst from the Burnham-on-Crouch fleet. The next best was Chris Dicker, also from the East Coast, who has now scored two fifth places and a sixth.

There was little scope for tactics in conditions that involved beating downtide and reaching across the tide in a moderate south-westerly breeze.

THIRD RACE: 1, Isolde (A Crosbie, Kinsale); 2, Tarasque (M Cotter, Ryl St George); 3, Alphida (C Doyle, Ryl St George); 4, Galax (T O'Gorman, Kinsale); 5, Warlord (P Tolhurst, Ryl Burnham); 6, Skal III (C Dicker, Ryl Norfolk and Suffolk).

Menzies picked up by tanker

From Barry Pickthall, Newport, Rhode Island

Bob Menzies, one of the oldest competitors in the *Observer*/Europe 1 single-handed Transatlantic race, was forced to abandon his yacht Dancing Dolphin early yesterday morning 180 miles southt east of Sable Island after the 37ft monohull began taking in water during a 60 knot gale.

Menzies, a 64-year-old grandfather from Cambridge who had been troubled with self-steering and engine problems during the past week, set off his Argos emergency transmitter at 21.00 GMT on Tuesday, 600 miles form Newport finish line and was picked up eight hours later by a Liberian tanker bound for Hampton Roads, Virgina.

● Boomerang, the new German Frers-designed maxi yacht owned by the American George Coumantorus, has won line honours in the biennial Bermuda race. The 80-foot yacht with her designer on board crossed the finish line at 1.26 local time on Tuesday morning, 33 minutes ahead of Jim Kilroy's Kialoa III.

It has proved to be a slow race, and last night 87 of the 152 entries had still to complete the 630-mile classic which began from Newport on Friday.

However, Jack King's 45-foot Merrythought, another Frers design, has been proclaimed the overall winner on corrected time, and the Sparkman and Stephens-design 48-footer Pamir winner of the MHS division.

SWIMMING

June Croft (pictured above), winner of three gold medals for Britain at the 1982 Commonwealth Games, is to retire form the sport after the Los Angeles Olympics. She has come to the decision that she has reached her peak.

She said: "I have been swimming competitively since the age of eight and can't carry on doing it for the rest of my life. Now is the time to change. Swimming is fine when you are young but as you get older your body can no longer take it."

Miss Croft puts in a regular four hours a day training which has meant a six o'clock start almost every morning. On Sunday she travels to Crystal Palace to begin training with the rest of the Olympic team. The squad of 32 includes five other members of the Wigan team.

IN BRIEF

Africa leans away from Olympic boycott

Tunis (AFP) – African countries are still divided over whether or not to compete at next month's Los Angeles Olympics, the Tunisian news agency, TAP, reported from Ouagadougou, where a special commission of the Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (SCSA) met last week.

RUGBY UNION: Danie Craven of the South African Rugby Board, returned from South America yesterday having laid the foundation for a Springbok tour there. He told reporters in Cape Town he had discussed a tour later this year and the possibility of future visits.

BOWLS: England scored a 33-shot victory over Scotland to win the women's international series at Leamington Spa and recapture the eve trophy.

SINGLES: Semi-finals: Mrs J Valls (Eng) bt Mrs M Smith (Sco) 21-10.

INTERNATIONALS: Wales 114, Ireland 104 (L Nicholas 20, N Alterly 18; L Parker 18, M Johnston 14, M Pomeroy 16, N Gibson 17; J Davies 14, M Wilson 21; B Morgan 24, K Toner 21, M Jones 22, E Cameron 12). England 130, Scotland 87 (N Shaw 21, A Knowles 12; B Stubbings 27, M Logan 10; M Steele 25, M Halliday 11, C Wessier 15, S McCrone 27; J Valls 26, E Clark 18; B Fuller 16, F Whyte 21).

TENNIS: THIRD DAY OF WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Two fine young contenders given the key of the door

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

There will be a 21-year-old qualifier in the last 16 of the men's singles at Wimbledon: either Paul Annacone, of New York, or Christo van Rensburg from Uitenhage, an area that has also produced such players as Linky Boshoff and Yvonne Vermaak and, in a wider sporting context, that distinguished South African centre-threequarter, Danie Gerber.

Annacone is a big, darkly good-looking chap who slotted into the place originally allocated to the injured seventh seed, Yannick Noah. Annacone has beaten Jonathan Smith of Britain and Mark Dickson of Florida; van Rensburg, another handsome man, has beaten Marco Ostoja, of Yugoslavia, and Matt Doyle of California. Each qualifier has lost only one set.

Dickson is a quiet, genial man, but takes so long about the business of serving (does he think the permitted 30 seconds interval is an obligation that has to be met in full?) that his departure from a tournament does no harm to its entertainment value.

Yesterday, Dickson wore the familiar yellow and white baseball cap that gives him something to fiddle with during the long, ritualistic pauses that precede scattered outbursts of violence. They were rather too scattered to do him much good against Annacone, who achieved similar effects with less fuss and more accuracy.

This match was played on the row of relatively new courts sometimes known as "North Wimbledon". It is possible to spend a day out there almost totally divorced from the traditional Wimbledon scene. While Dickson was losing on court 16, Stuart Bale was losing to Tim Gullikson. But this was a good day for Britain. John Lloyd won, and so did Anne Hobbs and Julie Salmon. Miss Hobbs produced an admirable performance, notable for her agility and her volleying, against Mary Lou Piatek, whose backhand broke down briefly but crucially in the sixth game of the second set.

Miss Salmon, only 18, has reached the third round without conceding a set, in spite of the fact that Laura Arraya and Beverley Mould are not the easiest of opponents. This is the first time since 1977 that seven British women have reached the second round.

Amanda Brown was beaten yesterday by the ninth seed, Wendy Turnbull, but a 6-3, 6-4 margin was no disgrace to the British teenager. Four British women were not in action: Jo Durie, Annabel Croft, Virginia Wade and Susan Barker. Stephen Shaw was also enjoying a day of contemplation before taking on the sixth seed, Andres Gomez.

The third day of Wimbledon was also the sunniest. The clouds were decorative rather than threatening. Moreover, there were seeded players in action on 12 of the 17 courts (court 11 was taking a rest). Everything seemed set fair for a delightful day, but it quickly became evident that Wimbledon was no longer quite so much fun. The promenades were too congested to encourage itinerant spectators. The only way to survive in comfort was to stay in one place and hope that the entertainment justified it.

Martina Navratilova had a briefly interesting second set with Amy Holton, and Miss Navratilova's doubles partner, Pam Shriver, came within two points of defeat before beating Gigi Fernandez, of Puerto Rico, by 3-6, 6-3, 9-7.

In the men's event, Johan Kriek had an awful time disposing of the highly promising Swede Stefan Edberg. Kriek said later that he tired long before the end but that there signs that Edberg was tiring, too – "but you can never tell with these Swedes". That was true enough. The Swedish players are about as inscrutable as it is possible to get.

Ivan Lendl, the second seed, had a easy win over Derek Tarr, of South Africa. When Lendl was poised within one point of winning the second set, he was briefly delayed by birds having a domestic squabble in the forecourt. Lendl waved his racket at them, then tossed a handful of sawdust from his pocket, and finally waved them goodye. There can have been few ocassions in his career when Lendl has been Tarred and feathered in the course of the same match.



Higher work rate: Martina Navratilova stretched by Amy Holton. Photo: Chris Cole



Connors finds stomach for fight

By Geoffrey Green

When Jimmy Connors beat the young Swede Stefan Simonsson 6-2, 6-1, 6-3 on the Centre Court, one could scarcely call it a pageant of rich language nor even a vignette. Yet there were moments in the third set which got the gallery buzzing with life like a hive at springtime.

At that point Connors stood at love-40 on service and within a whisker of being 1-4 down. Suddenly the Swede unfurled his colours with some penetrating two-fisted backhands down the line and dipping top spin forehand passes à la Borg.

Connors, serving and diving for volleys, grunted even louder, which made one think of Lord Emsworth's favourite sow, the Empress of Blandings, grunting in her sty. The American for that spell clearly was off his feed, but put his digestion right in time to save that game and roll on to victory by taking the last four games with two breaks of service. That was the heart of the matter.

The odd fact was that not a single ace was unleashed by either man until the third set – a big relief from the usual heavy barrage of serve and swift volley. Simonsson set the example then, as he went to 2-0, followed soon by four from Connors, the last to seal the match. This happily led to some dignified exchanges which suggested that the Swede may some day have something to say for himself.

His second service for one thing was largely meat and drink to Connors as he broke twice to take the last five games for the first set in spite of two doubles in the eighth game. The second set was an echo of the first as Connors put three more breaks into the margin of his effort.

But it was the concluding set that embellished the affair. Base-line barter saw each man use every inch of the canvas artistically. By then Connors was back on his feed, but as he said at his press interview later: "I shall hope to do better next time." He was certainly not on his usual high plateau.

Lloyd moves into the third round

By Rupert Morris

Hard work paid dividends yesterday for John Lloyd as he advanced to the third round of the men's singles with what his coach described as "his best tennis of the year". The last time he got so far at Wimbledon was in 1973 when he first played in the men's singles, and was beaten in the third round by Vijay Amritraj, of India.

After so many disappointments here – not to mention recent personal disappointments – it was a great relief for both Lloyd and his devoted British followers when he walked to the net on No 3 court to shake the hand of Greg Holmes, whom he had beaten by 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-1.

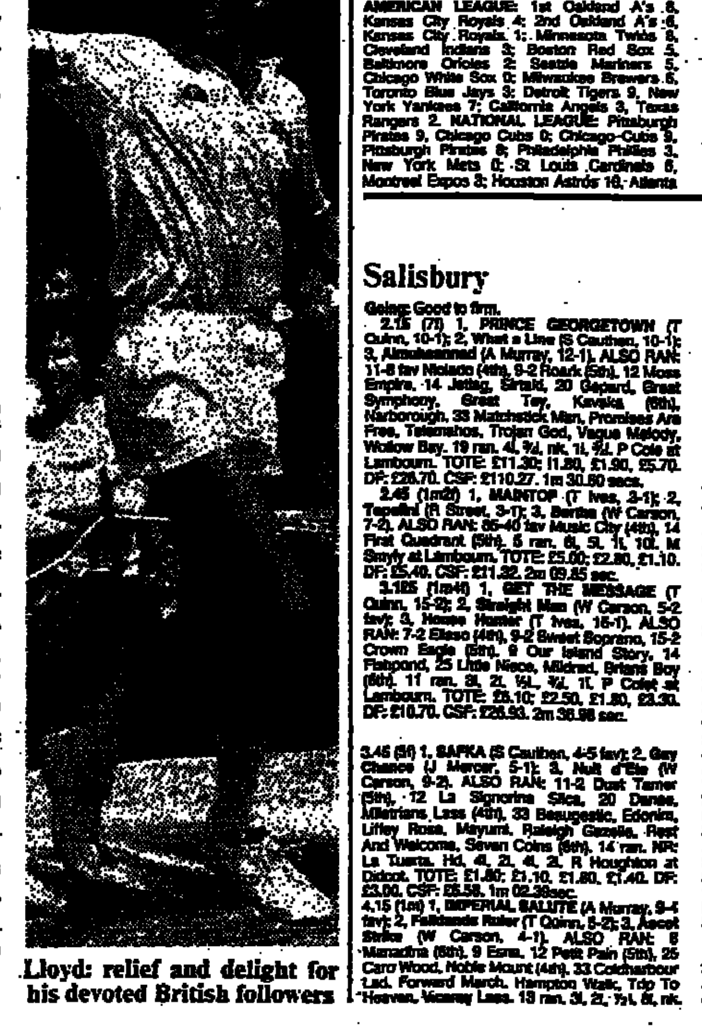
The dark-haired Californian, aged 20, reputedly the best American college player since McEnroe, soon showed the accuracy of his ground strokes – two fisted on both wings – and took the first set against a still tentative opponent.

From the second set onwards, however, Lloyd's grass-court experience was crucial. Gaining in rhythm and confidence, he moved the American around the court, serving and volleying with impressive speed.

By the fourth set the only question was whether Lloyd's concentration would waver. This time, it did not. His backhand, which has always been a joy to watch, supplied a steady quota of winners, and he produced the occasional exquisite top-spin lob.

Bob Brett, an Australian, who has been his coach since November, put his success down to concentration, hard work and cutting out the flashy shots. Lloyd's next opponent will be Scott Davis, another highly-rated Californian.

Last night Mr Alan Mills, the tournament referee, said he would be seeing a video replay of Jimmy Connors's match yesterday, in which he is alleged to have abused court officials.



Lloyd: relief and delight for his devoted British followers

Results from yesterday

Men's singles

Holder: J P McEnroe (US)

Second round

D T Visser (SA) bt M Mecir (Cz) 6–3, 6–2, 6–4.
S Meister (US) bt H Schwaier (WG) 6–1, 6–3, 7–5.
I LENDL (Cz) bt D Tarr (SA) 6–3, 6–1, 6–3.
T R Gullikson (US) bt S M Bale (GB) 7–5, 6–3, 6–4.
R Gehring (WG) bt Z Zuharszky (Hun) 7–6, 7–5, 6–3.
T E Gullikson (US) bt L Shiras (US) 3–6, 6–3, 6–4, 6–4.
J M Lloyd (GB) bt G Holmes (US) 4–6, 6–3, 6–4, 6–1.
C van Rensberg (SA) bt M N Doyle (Ir) 4–6, 6–2, 7–5, 7–6.
T S MAYOTTE (US) bt F Gonzalez (Par) 7–5, 7–6, 7–6.
M Davis (US) bt C J Wittus (US) 6–3, 6–4, 6–3.
P Annacone (US) bt M Dickson (US) 7–6, 7–6, 3–6, 6–1.
J S CONNORS (US) bt S Simonsson (Swe) 6–2, 6–1, 6–3.
S E Davis (US) bt J Nystrom (Swe) 6–1, 7–5, 6–7, 6–1.
J C KRIEK (SA) bt S S Edberg (Swe) 4–6, 6–7, 6–4, 6–1, 6–1.
J ARIAS (US) bt G Ocleppo (It) 7–5, 5–7, 3–6, 7–6, 6–4.

Men's doubles

Holders: P Fleming and J P McEnroe (US)

First round

J G Alexander and J B Fitzgerald (Aus) bt M J Bates and J M Dier (GB) 7–6, 6–4, 6–4.
C A Miller (Aus) and M Mitchell (US) bt M Guenthardt (Switz) and Z Kuharszky (Hun) 6–3, 7–6, 6–2.
M Purcell and V Van Patten (US) bt A GIAMMALVA and S MEISTER (US) 6–1, 6–4, 6–4.
E Edwards and D T Visser (SA) bt D Graham and L Warder (US) 6–3, 6–4, 6–2.
C J Lewis (NZ) and T Wilkison (US) bt B M MITTON (SA) and B WALTS (US) 7–6, 6–4, 6–4.
A Kohlberg and R Meyer (US) bt A Hocevar and M Hocevar (Br) 6–4, 6–4, 7–5.

● The following results arrived too late for inclusion in yesterday's paper.

First round

S E Davis and B Teacher (US) bt M C Strode and J Turpin (US), 7–5, 6–3, 6–4.
T C Fancutt (Aus) and M Schapers (Neth) lead V C Amaya and H Pfister (US), 3–6, 7–6, 7–6.
B Becker (WG) and W Fibak (Pol) v P SLOZIL and T SMID (Cz), 6–3, 6–3, 4–6, 1–6 (unfinished).

Women's singles

Holder: M Navratilova (US)

First round

S Graf (WG) bt S E Mascarin (US) 6–4, 5–7, 10–8.

Second round

W M TURNBULL (Aus) bt A J Brown (GB) 6–3, 6–4.
J A Salmon (GB) bt B A Mould (SA) 6–4, 7–6.
A E Hobbs (GB) bt M L Piatek (US) 6–4, 6–4.
M NAVRATILOVA (US) bt A E Holton (US) 6–2, 7–5.
B C POTTER (US) bt G M Kim (US) 6–3, 6–0.
I Budarova (Cz) bt A A Moulton (US) 6–4, 6–4.
Y Vermaak (SA) bt J L Klitch (US) 6–3, 6–2.
S Cherneva (USSR) bt F Raschiatore (US) 6–3, 6–4.
C Benjamin (US) bt W E White (US) 7–5, 6–3.
C BASSETT (Can) bt M C Calleja (Fr) 6–1, 6–4.
E M Sayers (Aus) bt G A Rush (US) 6–4, 3–6, 6–2.
M MALEEVA (Bul) bt N Reva (USSR) 6–2, 6–2.
P H SHRIVER (US) bt G Fernandez (Puerto Rico) 3–6, 6–3, 9–7.
L Bonder (US) bt B Gerken (US) 7–6, 6–2.
K JORDAN (US) bt V Ruzici (Rum) 6–4, 6–4.

● The following results arrived too late for inclusion in yesterday's paper.

S Amiach (Fr) bt L Antonoplis (US), 6–3, 6–3.
G M Kim (US) bt E Inoue (Jap), 7–6, 1–6, 6–0.
G C Monteiro (Br) bt A M Fernandez (US), 4–6, 6–2, 9–7.
P H SHRIVER (US) bt E S Pfaff (US), 6–0, 6–4.
E M Burgin (US) bt K Y Sands (US), 7–5, 3–6, 6–2.
H A Mochizuki (US) bt K Skronska Cz), 7–6, 6–0.
P Vasquez (Peru) bt S L Acker (US), 7–5, 7–6.
G Fernandez (P Rico) bt L Drescher (Switz), 7–6, 6–4.
S Simmonds bt T Phelps (US), 7–6, 6–4.
S E Mascarin (US) v V S Graf (WG), 4–6, 7–6, 5–6 (unfinished).
K A Steinmetz (US) bt K Rinaldi (US), 6–4, 6–2.
S J Leo (Aus) bt T A Holladay (US), 2–6, 6–3, 6–4.
C Jolissaint (Switz) bt L McNeil (US), 7–6, 2–6, 6–3.
C Karlsson (Swe) bt A H White (US), 7–5, 2–6, 8–6.

Women's doubles

Holders: M Navratilova and P H Shriver (US)

First round

R D FAIRBANK (SA) and C S REYNOLDS (US) bt P Delhees-Jauch (Switz) and K Skronska (Cz) 6–1, 6–1
B K JORDAN (US) and E M SAYERS (US) bt M Quinlan and M van Nostrand (US) 6–4, 6–2.
M Louie and H A Ludloff (US) bt T Phelps and M Y Torres (US) 7–6, 7–5.
S L Collins (US) and P S Medrado (Bra) bt R L Einy (GB) and S K Rimes (US) 6–1 6–0.
C J Newton (NZ) and P J Whytcross (Aus) b C Copeland and H A Mochizuki (US) 6–3, 6–4.
C Benjamin and F Raschiatore (US) bt S L Gomer and J A Salmon (GB) 6–2, 6–2.
M JAUSOVEC (Yug) and S V WADE (GB) bt J A Mundel and R Uys (SA) 7–5, 6–2.
C KOHDE-KILSCH (WG) and H MANDLIKOVA (Cz) bt G Purdy (US) and R Reggi (It) 7–5, 6–0.
R L Blount and F I Wright (US) bt I Kuczynska (Pol) and S J Leo (Aus) 7–6, 6–1.
C C Monteiro (Br) and Y Vermaak (SA) bt L C Gracie and E S Jones (GB) 6–1, 6–2.
S L Acker and B Nagelsen (US) bt H A Crowe and K A Steinmetz (US) 6–4, 6–7, 6–3.
L Antonoplis (US) and B A Mould (SA) bt B J Remilton (Aus) and N Sato (Jap) 6–4, 6–2.
J M DURIE and K HAYASHI (US) bt L Drescher (Switz) and E Inoue (Jap) 6–1, 6–3.
J M Lloyd (US) and C Tanvier (Fra) bt K B Cummings and R M White (US) 6–4, 7–6.
C Jolissaint (Switz) and A Hesker (Neth) bt S P Foltz (US) and F Gregory (Aust) 6–2, 6–4.
Z L GARRISON AND L MCNEIL (US) bt K T Copeland (US) and J M Hetherington (Can) 6–4, 7–5.

● *Capitals denote seeded players.*

Now 'Der Kaiser' is ready to succeed

From David Miller, Paris

Few outstanding World Cup players return to the scene as managers. Zagalo, Brazil's outside left in 1958 and 1962, directed the team in 1974 in West Germany without distinction and was soon replaced. For Franz Beckenbauer to reappear in charge of the currently dispirited West German side will be an intriguing test of his ability successfully to preach what he practised.

Clearly the German team have been going down a blind alley with Jupp Derwall: twice beaten by Northern Ireland in the European qualifying competition, their methodical, muscular football was then held by Portugal and laid low by Spain in the finals.

It was apparent that Beckenbauer was close to the hub of German federation (DFB) affairs – and not merely as a welcome former player. He could be found in close discussion round the coffee table with the DFB chairman, Hermann Neuberger, long after the FIFA eightieth anniversary banquet had ended in Zurich just before these championships began. Yesterday I had the chance to talk with him about is probable role as technical director, working with Horst Koppel, the former international forward from Borussia Mönchengladback, as coach.

"It's not in fact a bad squad," Beckenbauer said. "But they need to get back their confidence. You only have to look at Rummenigge these last two weeks to see how far morale has dropped. It is primarily the midfield which I think has to be altered.

"I would approach Bernd Schuster at Barcelona and see if he is agreeable to return; but I need to be sure of his attitude. There were times when you could not be certain in the past if he would turn up. I would want either him, or Hansi Müller back in the team, and I think we would probably do better with Stielike switching to midfield, and using more conventional central markers instead of a sweeper. We will have to see."

Beckenbauer played, of course, an influential, if not argumentative, part in the selection of the team under Helmut Schoen. It is nevertheless surprising that, with his accumulated financial security from Bayern, Cosmos, a thousand endorsements and advertisements and all the fame he could ever need from three World Cups, he should be prepared to take the responsibility. Talk of his succeeding Derwall seemed to be press gossip fanned by Bild, the daily tabloid for whom he writes a column. Yet he says: "It is all very well to criticize from a distance, which many have done, but someone has to be prepared to put their neck on the line. I felt it was necessary. Maybe I shall fail."

He thinks that if the position is confirmed, it will be for two years until after the 1986 World Cup in Mexico, always assuming West Germany qualify! It is reckoned that, Helmut Benthaus, manager of the league champions, Stuttgart, will then be fancied to take charge.

FOOTBALL

Napoli in a rush to sign Maradona before the deadline

Naples (Reuter) – Napoli have made a last-ditch effort to sign Diego Maradona from Barcelona. Napoli have provided all the necessary bankers' guarantees with an offer of 13 billion lire (just under £5.3m) for Maradona in an attempt to complete the deal before the Italian transfer deadline on June 30.

Club sources said Napoli were offering Barcelona 13 billion lire while Mardona would himself receive 1.8 billion (about £704,000) when transferred and a salary of 1.3 billion lire (about £532,000).

The presidents of both clubs, Jose Nunez of Barcelona and Corrado Ferlaino of Napoli, were both due in Paris for the European championship final.

Barcelona officials denied the deal would go through last night. The club's press officials said they knew nothing of a possible meeting between the two presidents in Paris.

Barcelona's vice-president, Nicolas Casaus, said that even if Nunez met Ferliano he did not have the authority to complete the deal without agreement by a full meeting of the Barcelona board of directors.

With the next regular board meeting scheduled for Monday, an extraordinary meeting would have to be called to allow Napoli to beat the deadline.

Italian newspapers have reported that Maradona spoke to Numez on Tuesday night at Barcelona's Noll Camp stadium and quoted the Argentine player as saying: "The president told me he will let me go if he can find a replacement."

In Naples, enormous excitement has built up in anticipation of Maradona's arrival. At least 2,000 Napoli fans ignored local candidates and wrote Maradona's name on their ballot papers in the June 17 European elections.



Hateley: sought by Liedholm, AC Milan's new coach

AC Milan prepare to pay out for Hateley

Milan (AFP) – AC Milan are prepared to pay around £915,000 for Mark Hateley. Milan directors flew to England yesterday for talks with the board of his club, Portsmouth.

Hateley, aged 22, scored for England in their 2-0 victory over Brazil this month in his first full international appearance. The coach Nils Liedholm, who has just joined Milan from AS Roma, said: "We need Hateley in the middle to made the best use of centres from the wings."

Milan have failed in recent attempts to buy the West German, Rudi Völler, Renato, of Gremio, and Ian Rush of Liverpool, and they have apparently dropped their interest in Fernando Gomes, the Portuguese international.

A contract for Hateley could mean the departure of another English player, Luther Blissett, who had a difficult first season in Italy after his move from Watford. The failure to sign a forward, however, would probably mean a further year in Milan for Blissett.

● Portsmouth must pay £100,000 to Crystal Palace for their former England Under-21 defender Billy Gilbert. He signed for Portsmouth earlier this month but the fee was fixed yesterday by a Football League tribunal because the clubs failed to agree.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Players in the wars get treatment

Brisbane (Reuter) – Great Britain's touring side suffered a new catalogue of injuries, bumps and bruises, during Tuesday's second international, against Australia at Lang Park.

Heading the injury list is Brian Noble, the captain, who finished the game, won 18-6 by Australia, with a broken nose and a hairline cheek fracture after being hit by an elbow.

Lee Crooks, a prop, was nursing torn shoulder muscles, Mick Burke, the full back, had his ribs strapped and Keith Rayne, the half back, was left hobbling.

Despite Noble's injury, Dick Gemmell, the tour manager, said he thought the British captain would return to action in time for the third and final international against Australia in Sydney on Saturday week. He was also confident that Crooks's shoulder injury would respond quickly to treatment.

Britain trained yesterday morning at Langlands Park with several men carrying bumps and bruises. "Some of the boys were a bit sore but the run helped work out some of the stiffness", Gemmell said.

Meanwhile, Paul Vautin, the Australian forward, left Brisbane for Sydney without having his injured right cheek X-rayed. He was helped from the field in the closing minutes on Tuesday and Dr Kevin Hobbs, the Queensland rugby league medical officer, later diagnosed the injury as a probable depressed cheek fracture.

Britain's next match is at Tweed Heads tonight against Northern Rivers. Three of the side who played on Tuesday Des Drummond, Garry Schofield and Andy Goodway – have been picked.

TEAM: J Lydon; D Drummond, G Schofield, M Smith, G Clark; S Donlan, A Gregory; H Pinner, A Goodway, D Hobbs, M O'Neill, K Beardmore, B Case. Reserves: D Foy, M Worrall, W Proctor and J Basnett.

JOHANNESBURG: Ray Mordt, the South African international rugby union winger, was said yesterday to have turned down a £25,000 offer to sign for Wigan, the rugby league side (Reuter reports).

The South African newspaper *The Citizen*, said Mordt, who has scored 11 tries in 16 appearances for the Springboks, was approached by a Wigan agent who is in the country. Under the contract Mordt's fee would have increased by £10,000 each year, the newspaper said.

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON

AUCKLAND: International tournament, singles: Men: E Hartono (Indonesia) bt J Miles (NZ) 15–4, 15–10; P Horne (NZ) bt B Amunanto (Indonesia) 15–7, 15–3; M Scandolera (Aust) bt S Osterberg (Sw) 15–18, 15–1, 15–4; G Robson (NZ) bt P Suwono (Indonesia) 15–6, 15–11; A D Santoso (Indonesia) bt S Lobb (NZ) 7–15, 15–6, 15–12. Women, Group A: C Backhouse (Can) bt B M Evans (Aust) 11–76, 11–5. Group C: G Clark (Eng) bt K Lockey (NZ) 11–2, 11–8. Group D: J McDonald (Aust) bt B K Phillips (NZ) 11–0, 11–2.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: 1st Oakland A's 8, Kansas City Royals 4; 2nd Oakland A's 6, Kansas City Royals 1; Minnesota Twins 8, Cleveland Indians 3; Boston Red Sox 5, Baltimore Orioles 2; Seattle Mariners 5, Chicago White Sox 0; Milwaukee Brewers 6, Toronto Blue Jays 3; Detroit Tigers 9, New York Yankees 7; California Angels 3, Texas Rangers 2. NATIONAL LEAGUE: Pittsburgh Pirates 9, Chicago Cubs 0; Chicago Cubs 9, Pittsburgh Pirates 8; Philadelphia Phillies 3, New York Mets 0; St Louis Cardinals 6, Montreal Expos 3; Houston Astros 10, Atlanta Braves 5; San Diego Padres 5, Los Angeles Dodgers 0; Cincinnati Reds 4, San Francisco Giants 2.

CRICKET

SCHOOLS: *Colchester RGS 185 dec: Gravesend GS 186–8. Leicestershire Gentlemen 178–3 dec; *Wellingborough 141–8. XL Club 271–4 dec; *Dauntsey's 169–9. *Home team.

FOOTBALL

LIBERTADORES CUP: Group One, semi final: Independiente (Arg) 2, Universidad Catolica, Chile 1. Group Two, semi final: Gremio (Br) 5, Flamengo (Br), 1.
MADRID: Spanish League Cup Final, first leg: Atletico Madrid, 0 Valladolid 0.
ROME: Italian Cup final second leg: Roma 1, Verona 0 (Roma win 2-1 on agg).

SHOOTING

BLAIR ATHOLL: Scottish National small bore rifle meeting: Bryant and May Cup (Class D Aggregate) 1, Jn Clifford 1479; 2, W Shoreman jnr 1478; 3, T Coates 1469. Newcastle Chronicle Cup (Class C Aggregate) 1, S Dunlop 1501; 2, An Gorrod 1493; 3, F Cullen 1489. New Zealand Challenge Shield (Teams of four) 1, Maidenhead 1531; 2, Vauxhall Motors 1526; 3, Twickenham 1524.

SWIMMING

INDIANAPOLIS: US Olympic trial (qualifiers): Men's 100m butterfly: 1, P Morales 53.38sec (world record); 2, M Gribble 54.07. Women's 200m freestyle: 1, C Woodhead 2:00.11; 2, M Wayte 2:00.15. Men's 400m individual medley: 1, J Kostoff 4:21.37; 2, J Vassallo 4:21.43. Women's 200m breaststroke: 1, S Rapp 2:31.54 (American record); 2. K Rhodenbaugh 2:34.91.

Today's fixtures

GOLF: Glasgow Classic. Guernsey's women's open.
ROWING: Henley Royal Regatta (8 am).
BOWLS: Women's international tournament.
YACHTING: Edinburgh Cup, Cowes.
CRICKET: Women's tournament: East Midlands v New Zealanders, Leicester, 11.0.

RACING RESULTS

Salisbury

Going: Good to firm.

2.15 (7f) 1, PRINCE GEORGETOWN (T Quinn, 10-1); 2, What a Line (S Cauthen, 10-1); 3, Almuheannad (A Murray, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Niclado (4th), 9-2 Roark (5th), 12 Moss Empire, 14 Jetlag, Sirtaki, 20 Gepard, Great Symphony, Great Tey, Kavaka (6th), Narborough, 33 Matchstick Man, Promises Are Free, Telemahos, Trojan God, Vague Melody, Wollow Bay. 19 ran. 4l, ¾l, nk, 1l, ¾l. P Cole at Lambourn. TOTE: £11.30; £1.80, £1.90, £5.70. DF: £26.70. CSF: £110.27. 1m 30.60 secs.

2.45 (1m2f) 1, MAINTOP (T Ives, 2-1); 2, Topefind (R Street, 3-1); 3, Bertie (W Carson, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 85-40 fav Music City (4th), 14 First Quadrant (5th). 5 ran. 6l, 5l, 1l, 10l. M Smyly at Lambourn. TOTE: £5.00; £2.80, £1.10. DF: £5.40. CSF: £11.32. 2m 09.85 sec.

3.15 (1m4f) 1, GET THE MESSAGE (T Quinn, 15-2); 2, Straight Man (W Carson, 5-2 fav); 3, House Hunter (T Ives, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Eleso (4th), 9-2 Sweet Soprano, 15-2 Crown Eagle (5th), 9 Our Island Story, 14 Flatpond, 25 Little Niece, Mildred, Brians Boy (6th). 11 ran. 3l, 2l, ½l, ¾l, 1l. P Cole at Lambourn. TOTE: £6.10; £2.50, £1.80, £3.30. DF: £10.70. CSF: £26.93. 2m 36.98 sec.

3.45 (5f) 1, SAFKA (S Cauthen, 4-5 fav); 2, Gay Chance (J Mercer, 5-1); 3, Nuit d'Ete (W Carson, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Dust Tamer (5th), 12 La Signorina Silca, 20 Danas, Miletrians Lass (4th), 33 Beaugestic, Edonka, Liffey Rose, Mayumi, Raleigh Gazelle, Rest And Welcome, Seven Coins (6th). 14 ran. NR: La Tuerta. Hd, 4l, 2l, 4l, 2l. R Houghton at Didcot. TOTE: £1.80; £1.10, £1.80, £1.40. DF: £3.00. CSF: £6.58. 1m 02.38sec.

4.15 (1m) 1, IMPERIAL SALUTE (A Murray, 9-4 fav); 2, Falklands Ruler (T Quinn, 5-2); 3, Ascot Strike (W Carson, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Manadira (6th), 9 Esna, 12 Petit Pain (5th), 25 Caro Wood, Noble Mount (4th), 33 Coldharbour Lad, Forward March, Hampton Walk, Top To Heaven, Vicaray Lass. 13 ran. 3l, 2l, ½l, 6l, nk. H Thomson Jones at Newmarket. TOTE: £2.50; £1.40, £1.50, £1.10. DF: £3.80. CSF: £8.53. 1m 43.71sec.

4.45 (1f) 1, HAJES (W Carson, 4-9 fav); 2, Gourdoniat (G Starkey, 8-1); 3, Darby Day (B Taylor, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Doubleton, 6 Sir Harri, 10 Very Seldom, 25 Silver Empress, 50 Bulawayo Prince, Gold Saint, Hates Terres. 10 ran. 3l, ½l. J Dunlop at Arundel. TOTE: £1.40; £1.10, £1.10, £4.40. DF: £3.40. CSF: £5.96.
PLACEPOT: £15.10. JACKPOT: £11,779.25 at a 50p stake.

Ripon

GOING: firm

2.30 (1m 1f) 1, ELARIM (C Coates, 4-1); 2, Some Jet (R Fahey, 12-1); 3, Misha (Julie Bowker, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Swift Palm (6th) 8 Karnatak (4th 10 Blow My Top (5th), Gibbon, 12 Chrome Mag, 14 Vitingo, Wickwell, 20 Bonfire, Lady Bounty, 33 Heavenly Princess. 13 ran. Hd, 5l, 1½l, 3l, 1½l. T Fairhurst at Middleham. TOTE: £3.50; £1.40, £1.80, £9.50. DF: £25.80. CSF: £50.59. Tricast: £1,300.50.

3.0 (6f) 1, FREE GO (M Birch, 5-2 fav); 2, Path Over The Moor (J Carr, 5-1); 3, Caernarvon Boy (S Parks, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Farlington (5th), 11-2 Malowski, 8 Princess Aura, 10 My Dominion (6th), Paniolo (4th). 8 ran. 1½l, ¾l, 5l, 1½l, 2l. M H Easterby at Malton. TOTE: £3.20; £1.70, £1.20, £3.50. DF: £6.00. CSF: £15.67. No bid.

3.30 (1m) 1, SALAASH (A Shoults, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, All Hell Let Loose (G Duffield, 3-1 jt-fav), 3, Lord Lade (T Williams, 3-1 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 8 Rabirius, 9 Eurycleia (5th), Life Guard (4th), 12 Benz (6th). 8 ran. 2½l, 5l, nk, 12l, nk. J Hindley at Newmarket. TOTE: £4.20; £1.50, £1.60, £7.40. DF: £5.80. CSF: £12.81

4.00 (1m 4f) 1, CHESTY (Lydia Pearce, 9-4); 2, Misty Halo (Elaine Mellor, 8-11 fav); 3, Line Abreast (Sandy Brook, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 20 Joy of Music (6th), Prince Reviewer, 25 Regency Tam (5th) 33 Rural Scene, 50 Speedo (4th), 100 Man Alive, Not Paid, Glendyke. 11 ran. 1½l, 6l, 1l, ½l, 4l. M J Ryan at Newmarkt. TOTE: £3.40; £1.60, £1.10; £1.50. DF: £1.60. C.S.F. £3.91.

4.30 (6f) 1, SHARLIE'S WIMPEY (S Keightley, 20-1); 2, Simple Melody (B Thomson, 10-1); 3, Gentle Star (J Lowe, 10-1); 4, High Eagle (G Duffield, 7-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Royal Question (5th), April Lucky; 14 Loving Doll; 16 Brians Bridge (6th), Ming Village; 20 Jo-Andrew, Snow Child, Airling, It's Heaven, Off Your Mark, Relative Ease, Captain's Bidd. 16ran. 5l, 2l, 1l, 1l, ¾l. W Pearce at Thirsk. Tote £56.60; £3.50, £1.80, £2.40, £1.10. DF: £329.30. C.S.F. £165.42. Tricast: £1900.79.

5.0 (6f) 1, COLONIAL CARESS (E Hide, 7-2 fav); 2 The Leek (A Wales, 7-1); 3 Master Johny (Paul Eddery, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Kapagi, 6 Empty Chest, 7 Dreyfus, 10 First Lot, Paris Trade, 12 Singida, 14 Major Rouge, 20 Why Tumble, 25 Bubsboy, Capagnie, Chor Bazar, 100 James Vincent, Poly Do. 16 ran. 7l, hd. M Camacho at Malton. Tote £3.90; £1.70, £2.20, £1.50. DF £33.90. C.S.F. £38.05.

5.30 (1m 4f) 1, APPLE WINE (D Nicholls, 10-1); 2, Holdale (N Connorton, 13-8 fav); 3, Ardeary (S Perks, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 4 Nouresz, 8 Miss Diaward, Earl's Court, 20 Sallametti. 7 ran. 1½l, nk. D Chapman at Stillington. TOTE: £10.40; £3.20, £1.10. DF: £11.20. C.S.F. £26.16. PLACEPOT: £7.80.

Ballesteros defends

Severiano Ballesteros will defend his Carrolls Irish Open title at Royal Dublin from August 2 to 5. His challengers will include John O'Leary (Ireland), the 1982 winner and Greg Norman, Nick Faldo, Bernhard Langer, Howard Clark and José Canizares.

ROWING

Henley expects a show of strength to savour from British Olympic crews

By Jim Railton

Henley Royal Regatta's half-a-million-pound-plus floating show begins today with 98 races spread over 11¼ hours. The quality of the entry, too, is exceptional, with four British Olympic crews in action. Some old warriors and top British club crews will be expected to keep the Union Jack fluttering high repelling overseas boarders in the regatta's seven elite events.

The Brith Olympic eight, in the livery of Leander-London, must be favourites for the Grand Challenge Cup after finishing third in Lucerne, but they will be far from complacent with the presence of the huskies from Washington University in the other half of the draw. Washington who are still trying to find a shell for the grand opening on Friday, finished second in Amsterdam in a borrowed boat last weekend just four seconds behind what would have been the Soviet Union Olympic eight.

The strongest British crew here, Marlow-London University-Tyrian, have a straight final on Sunday in the Prince Philip against Njord of the Netherlands which should be a formality.

Britain's Olympic coxless four, Nottinghamshire County and Tyne, could meet London University and Tyrian in the final of the Stewards'. In the Goblets, the Olympic nominees, Beattie and Stanhope, look destined to meet Lang and Genziani, who are hopping mad over being passed over by the Olympic selectors for the coxed pairs berth. Fireworks can be expected.

There is much else to savour this year. The bread-and-butter events of the Royal Regatta – the Thames, Ladies', Wyfolds, Britannia and the Princess Elizabeth – are full of talent and, no doubt, surprises in the tough four-day haul to Sunday's finals.

The Diamond Sculls promises both talent and frustration. Chris Baillieu, who has not been selected for his third Olympics, must be wondering if there is anything left to prove. He won the Diamonds in 1981 and 1982 and opens up today against Hugh Matheson, holder of this title in 1979. Between them, Baillieu and Matheson have represented Great Britain 19 times and brought home three bronze medals from Olympic, world and European championships. Another former Diamonds holder (1977 and 1978), Tim Crooks, opens against Ross of Thames. Also in action today in the Diamonds will be the world lightweight champion, Eltang of Denmark, the runner-up, Melvin of Great Britain, the unknown West German, Franke, and Cooper of New Zealand.

Matheson and Crooks combine for the Double Sculls and, age and sinews willing, could be favourites in this event.

TODAY'S ORDER OF ROWING

8.00 Ladies': Cherwell BC A v Trinity Hall, Cambridge.
8.05 Thames: City of Cambridge RC v Worcester RC.
8.15 Britannia: Quintin BC v Tideway Scullers' School.
8.20 Double Sculls: C P H Johncox and C J Pratt (Kingston RC) v J Baur and P Muster (Grasshopper Club, Switz).
8.30 Ladies': University College Dublin v Christ's College Cambridge.
8.35 Thames: Reading University v Harvard University, US.
8.40 Thames: Barclays Bank RC v Ormsund RC, Norway.
8.45 Queen Mother: London RC v London RC and Thames RC.
8.50 Double Sculls: H P Matheson and T J Crooks (Notts County and Kingston RC) v J Pitt and J Elwin (Oxford City RC).
9.00 Ladies': Newcastle University v Imperial College, London.
9.05 Thames: Stourport BC v Thames RC.
9.15 Wyfold: Quintin BC v Molesey BC.
9.20 Wyfold: Wallingford RC v Thames Tradesmen's RC.
9.30 Ladies': University of Washington, US V University College and Hospital, London.
9.35 Thames: Thames Tradesmen's RC A v Nautilus Ltwt RC.
9.40 Thames: Argonaut RC, Canada v Derby RC.
9.45 Queen Mother: Notts County RA v Thames Tradesman's RC.
9.50 Goblets: N H Gallaher and W L Backman (Cambridge BC, US) v R J Stuart and M De Grammont (London RC).
10.00 Ladies: 1st and 3rd Trinity, Cambridge v Pembroke College, Cambridge.
10.05 Thames: Kent School, US v Thames Tradesmen's RC B.
10.10 Wyfold: Natives and Lady Somerset BC's v Vespa RC.
10.20 Goblets: W J Lang and A M Neal (Washington Univ, US).
10.30 Ladies: Emmanuel Coll, Cambridge v Oriel Coll. Oxford.
10.35 Wyfold: London Hospital v Nautilus Ltwt RC.
10.40 Wyfold: Notts County RA B v Cantabrigian RC.
10.45 Britannia: Sons of the Thames RC v Bedford RC.
10.50 Diamonds: D H Gwilliam (Stourport C) v F Marban (Igor-Offenbach, WG)
11.00 Ladies: Univ o Bristol v Brown Univ, US.
11.05 Thames: Twickenham RC v Tees RC.
11.10 Visitors: Upper Canada College, Canada v Imperial Coll, London.
11.15 Wyfold: Porcellian Club US v London RC A.
11.20 Diamonds: B S Cooper (New Zealand Universities) v B S Crambly (Dartmouth RC, US).
11.30 Ladies: Kings Coll London v Isis BC.
11.35 Thames: Vesta RC v Peterborough RC Canada.
11.40 Wyfold: Tideway Scullers' School v Lea RC.
11.45 Britannia: Neptune RC, Ireland v Walton RC.
11.50 Double Sculls: R A Hart and C G N Hart (Bewdley RC) v M Espersen and L Kruse (Bagsbaerd and Kolding).
12.00 Ladies: Downing College, Cambridge v St Catharine's College, Cambridge.
12.05 Thames: Molesey BC v Quintin BC 'B'.
12.10 Visitors': Princeton Univ, US v Yale Univ, US.
12.15 Wyfold: Staines BC v Kingston RC.
12.20 Goblets: N W Pratt and P J Ibbotson (Newark and Ancholme RC) v J P Griffin and A C Hemmings (Bradford-on-Avon RC).
12.30 Ladies': Temple Univ, US v Nottingham Univ
12.35 Thames: St Catharine's RC, Canada v Leander Club 'B'.
12.40 Wyfold: Univ of London v Henley RC.
12.45 Goblets: J G Purtill and M E Vannoradal, Pennsylvania Univ, US v P D Wensley and G J Jones, Kingston and Leander
12.50 Double Sculls: J A Green and G A Mulcahy (Quintin) v A C Rudkin and M J Diserens (Northampton and Wallingford RC).
2.00 Princess Elizabeth: The King's School, Chester v Shiplake College.
2.05 Thames: Cantabrigian RC v Aberdeen Univ.
2.10 Goblets: F W Pinkerton and P L Granger (Evesham) v T A O'Connell and V N Booth (Royal Hong Kong YC).
2.15 Double Sculls: D Babbs and R A Phillips (London RC) v Boenn and P Franke (Oceania and Spandau, West Germany).
2.20 Diamonds: G J Pratt (Kingston RC) v G S Oliver (Dandiego RC, US).
2.30 Ladies: Trinity Coll, Dublin v Durham Univ.
2.35 Princess Elizabeth: St Joseph's Prep, US v Pomfret School, US.
2.40 Wyfold: Natives & Lady Somerset BC's v Vesta RC.
2.45 Britannia: Auriol, Kensington RC v Star Club.
2.50 Goblets: J M Beattie and R C Stanhope (Thames Tradesmen's RC) v T Thomas and H Hanabee (St Catharine's Inst, Canada).
3.00 Ladies: Harvard Univ, US v Princeton Univ, US.
3.05 Ladies: Lady Margaret BC, Cambridge v Manchester Univ.
3.10 Queen Mother: Kingston RC v Maidenhead RC.
3.15 Britannia: Univ of London v Molesey BC.
3.20 Diamonds: B Eltang (Danske Roklub, Denmark) v S R Anderson (West End RC, New Zealand).
3.30 Ladies': Yale Univ, US v Rutgers Univ, US.
3.35 Thames: Lea RC 'B' v Leander Club 'A'.
3.40 Wyfold: Cygnet RC v Thames Tradesmen's RC 'B'.
3.45 Wyfold: Joinville Club d'Avion, France v Gloucester RC.
3.50 Double Sculls: N J Burfitt and L J Fletcher, Wimbledon and Hollingworth Lake RC v C Spencer and T Keech, Poplar, Blackwall & District RC.
4.30 Ladies': Selwyn College, Cambridge v Cherwell BC 'B'.
4.35 Princess Elizabeth: Hampton School v Abingdon School.
4.40 Wyfold: Tideway Scullers' School v Lea RC.
4.45 Doubles Sculls: G M Allen and S Larkin (Christ Church RC) v R C Luke and D J Luke (Llandaff RC).
4.50 Diamonds: J N Melvin (London RC) v G R D Jones (Oxford Univ).
5.00 Princess Elizabeth: Emanuel School v St Edward's School.
5.05 Princess Elizabeth: King James's College, Henley v Upper Canada College, Canada.
5.10 Visitors': Goldie BC v Trinity Hall, Cambridge.
5.15 Wyfold: Birmingham RC v City of Oxford RC.
5.25 Wyfold: Thames Tradesman's RC 'C' v Reading Univ.
5.30 Thames: Lea RC 'A' v Quintin BC 'A'.
5.35 Visitors': Univ College, Dublin v Reading Univ.
5.40 Britannia: Worcester RC v Leicester RC.
5.45 Goblets: I M Shergold and C J Purchase (Wallingford RC) v P J Hope and R J Reynolds (Kingston RC).
5.50 Diamonds: H P Matheson (Nottinghamshire County RC) v C L Baillieu (Leander).
6.00 Queen Mother: Maidenhead RC and Bewdley RC v Agecroft RC.
6.05 Visitors': Newcastle Univ v Durham Univ.
6.10 Wyfold: Christiania Roklub, Norway v Clyde ARC.
6.15 Goblets: L K Langley and S C Williams (Barclays Bank RC) v E M G Pearson and C D M Riches (Cambridge Univ and Molesey BC).
6.20 Diamonds: A J Ross (Thames RC) v T J Crooks (Kingston RC).
6.30 Princess Elizabeth: Eton College and Hospital, London v Christ Church and Oriel College, Oxford.
6.40 Britannia: Thames Tradesman's RC v Marlow RC.
6.45 Britannia: Nottingham BC v Notts County RA.
6.50 Double Sculls: G J Chilvers and A M Cusack (London and Wallingford) v K Titterton and L Hancock (Derby RC).
7.00 Ladies': Univ of London v Clare College, Cambridge.
7.05 Thames: London RC 'B' v London RC 'A'.
7.10 Queen Mother: Kingston RC and Stourport BC v Rob Roy BC and St Ives RC.
7.17 Visitors': Shiplake College and Sir William Borlase's School v Dartmouth RC, USA.

GOLF

Arrival of Spaniard threat to Langer

By Mitchell Platts

When Bernhard Langer decided earlier this year, in spite of some success in America, to concentrate his efforts on the European tour, it appeared likely that the phlegmatic West German would emerge as a contender for the No 1 place in the Order of Merit.

So it is not surprising to find Langer nicely installed in second place in the current money list as he sets out to defend the Glasgow Open, which starts on the Haggs Castle course today.

Nevertheless, Langer, who won the Order of Merit in 1981, has returned from a one-week rest in the knowledge that, apart from needing to make a dent in Howard Clark's £20,000 lead, he would be well advised to put some extra daylight between himself and the man currently holding ninety-seventh position.

The impending return of Severiano Ballesteros – currently in unfamiliar territory with winnings of only £1,933 – for an extended stay on the European scene threatens to provoke severe opposition in the forthcoming weeks.

The importance of finishing No 1, apart from the instant financial benefit, is that it unlocks the door to a treasure chest of appetizing extras which include invitations to the US Masters and US Open.

Clark, in spite of some haphazard performances of late, is still very much in charge since his early-season successes in the Madrid Open and PGA championships have enabled him to stockpile £55,897. Langer, who won with a six-below-par score of 274 last year, has £35,190 and Sandy Lyle, returning after a two-week rest, has £33,440.

Yet there has been such a surprising run of winners – Jaime Gonzalez (Tournament Players Championship), Michael Clayton (Timex Open) and Ian Mosey (Monte Carlo Open) – thath the muti-sponsored Glasgow tournament could prove to be another unpredictable affair. Even so, it will be interesting to monitor the spectator support as it is the only PGA European tour event in Scotland this year, although of course the Open is at St Andrews next month.

LACROSSE

Tournament off for GB women

The withdrawal of sponsorship covering their expenses has led Britain's women's lacrosse players to call off their trip to the pre-Olympics tournament in Los Angeles in mid-July.

The bad news broke when Lee Walker, president of the American Women's Lacrosse Association, telephoned the Australian team to say the sponsorship was off. Australia immediately withdrew, and Great Britain reluctantly followed yesterday. Sue Lyons, of the British women's commitee said: "We are bitterly disappointed because it would have been a marvellous thing for our sport. The players themselves are shattered."

Britain's men have experienced similar troubles with the cancellation of hotel bookings in Los Angeles in favour of beds in the homes of American families. Don Bennett, the manager of the England team said: "It is costing us about £300 each, but we have decided to go as the tournament is still on".

The men leave on July 10 to play Australia, the United States, Canada and two other teams.

RACING: COLE'S STABLE CONTINUES IN TOP FORM AT SALISBURY

Get The Message draws clear of Straight Man in Salisbury's Bibury Cup

No stopping the mighty Quinn

By Michael Seely

Richard Quinn's golden season continued at Salisbury yesterday. Just over two weeks since losing the right to claim his apprentice allowance on Turkish Delight at Haydock Park, Paul Cole's 22-year-old stable jockey landed a double at just under 93 to 1 on Prince Georgetown and Get The Message.

Prince Georgetown was most impressive when sprinting home four lengths clear of What A Line in the Shrewton Maiden Stakes. Violado started favourite at 11-8 to continue the winning run of Guy Harwood's two-year-olds, but could only finish fourth.

Cole trains the American-bred colt for a syndicate managed by Henry Ponsonby. "Prince Georgetown is a half-brother to Admiral's Heir and Admiral's Princess, who were both placed in group races for the same owners", Cole said. The trio were bred by Doctor Irene Roeckel, who is a blood specialist and pathologist at Lexington in Kentucky.

"We bought them all privately" Mr Ponsonby said, "and I made a deal on the telephone last night confirming the purchase of another yearling half brother by Tilt Up."

Get The Message, Cole's second winner, put up a fine performance when defying top wieght of 9st 7lb in the Bibury Cup. "The three-year-old wandered about a bit on the firm ground," Quinn said, "but otherwise the colt saw it out well."

Straight Man, the 5-2 favourite came home strongly to take second place after having difficulty in obtaining a clear run. The three-year-old, who had been off the course for six weeks since capturing the Grosvenor Stakes at Chester, is one of two entries that Dick Hern has in the Magnet Cup. Last year's winner Bedtime, being the other as the West Ilsey trainer attempts to win York's rich prize for the fifth time.

Cole also announced that Quinn would be attempting to continue the southern stables's 12-year stranglehold on the Northumberland Plate on Serheed at Newcastle on Saturday. The preliminary exchanges in the betting on the "Pitmens's Derby" took place yesterday.

Serheed was backed from 12-1 to 10-1, but William Hills also reported heavy support for Edward Hide's mount, Special Vintage, who is now joint favourite at 6-1 with John Dunlop's fast finishing Bessborough Stakes second, Forward.

Peter Walwyn said that Nick Howe would be on board Fitzpatrick. "We thought hard about letting Joe Mercer ride," the Lambourn trainer said, "but he would have to put up 2lbs overweight and that might be important in such a tightly-knit handicap."

Tony Ives drew one ahead of Lester Piggott in the fight for the Jockey's championship after gaining a pillar-to-post victory on Maintop in the Herbert and Gwen Blagrave Memorial Stakes.

Fulke Johnson Houghton's successful summer continued when Steve Cauthen rode Safka to a hard-fought victory over Kirl in the Klix Drinks Maiden Fillies Stakes.

"Saska ran rather green but at the finish she did it well. Will have to see how she takes this race before thinking about the Cherry Hinton Stakes at the Newmarket July meeting," Johnson Houghton said.

After Tom Jones had won the first division of the Pembroke Stakes with Imperial Salute the Newmarket trainer said that his Grand Prix de Paris winner, At Talaq, had taken last Sunday's race well and that the Derby fourth would run in the March Stakes at Goodwood before the St Leger.

● On the eve of Telios's challenge for the Irish Sweeps Derby, his dam, Stilvi, has been tested in foal to Shirley Heights at Sandringham. Stilvi has already produced the successful stallion, Tyrnavos, who won the Sweeps Derby in 1980 two years after Shirley Heights had added the Curragh classic to his Epsom victory.

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Darley faces 'careless' charge

Kevin Darley, the jockey, called as a witness when Jack Berry, the trainer, appealed against the disqualification from first place of Timewaster in a race at Warwick on April 30, has been charged under rule 153 (ii) covering reckless, careless or improper riding. A provisional date for the hearing is next Tuesday (July 3).

Berry's appeal, which was heard on May 30, was dismissed after the disiplinary committe had viewed the camera patrol film. They upheld the view of local stewards that Timewaster had interfered with the fourth-placed Kepagi, but returned Berryn's deposit.

Berry, clearly angry at what he described as a "great injustice" said: "We beat the fourth really easily. If I live to be 200, there's no way anyone will convince me that Timewaster should have been disqualified, or that Kevin should have been charged. I spent £700 on solicitors fees and expenses and never expected anything like this

Lidhame to produce Champagne sparkle

By Mandarin

Salisbury's Champagne Stakes has produced some exceptional horses over the years, notably the great Mill Reef, who won the race on his debut in 1971 before going on triumph in the Derby, the Arc de Triomphe and other great races as a three-year-old. It is doubtful whether any of today's field will ever approach those dizzy heights, but Lidhame (nap) looked potentially above average on his first run and can confirm that impression by winning today's renewal.

It was at Newbury early this month that Lidhame had his first experience of a racehorse and the son of Nureyev ran on stoutly to take second place behind Sergeant Gerard, despite hanging a little in the closing stages. The winner has since run very well to take third place behind Old Bailey in the Chesham Stakes at Royal Ascot so Lidhame's run looks even better in retrospect.

Of the opposition, Dick Hern's newcomer Petoski, is highly rated and Tom Boat won pleasingly at York. The main threat to Lidhame however, may be Lester Piggott's mount, Sharp Romance who had the previous winners, Albarg and Stamping Ground well back in third and fouth when beating Mujbil by half a length at Newmarket. Nevertheless, the 5lb that Lidhame receives from Paul Kelleway's charge should settle the issue.

Whatever his fate on Sharp Romance, Piggott should not leave the Wiltshire course empty-handed because he teams up again with Viceroy Lad in the Noel Cannon Memorial Trophy and the combination should follow up their success at Wolverhampton.

Up at Newcastle, Vintage Toll will b assured of strong support in the featured Dobson Peacock Handicap on the strength of his creditable fifth to Hawkley in last week's Royal Hunt Cup. Well though he is sure to run, it may pay to give Moore's Metal another chance this time.

Reg Hollinshead's four-year-old finished unplaced in the Hunt Cup, but found his way blocked repeatedly when delivering his challenge two furlongs out.

Course specialists

SALISBURY

TRAINERS: G Harwood 37 winners from 155 runners, 23.9%. W Hern 23 from 101, 22.8%. I Balding 21 from 188, 11.2%.
JOCKEYS: W Carson 39 winners from 166 mounts, 23.5%. S Cauthen 14 from 100, 14.0%. P Eddery 21 from 170, 12.4%.

NEWCASTLE

TRAINERS: M H Easterby 19 winners from 142 runners, 13.4%. G Pritchard-Gordon 18 from 56, 32.1%. J Watts 20 from 127, 15.7%.
JOCKEYS: M Birch 31 winners from 100 mounts, 16.2%. T Bleasdale 12 from 109, 11.0%.

Blinkered first time

NEWCASTLE: 4.30 Cluedo
SALISBURY: 4.15 Quiet Field



IN BRIEF

Late call for Moore and Benitez

Monaco (AFP) – Davey Moore of the United States meets Wilfredo Benitez of Puerto Rico over 12 rounds in an official eliminator for the World Boxing Association light-middleweight title here on July 14. The bout replaces the scheduled world welterweight title bout between the champion, Don Curry, of the United States, and Nico la Rocca, of Italy, which was called off when Curry pulled out injured.

● Jiro Watanabe, the World Boxing Association (WBA) junior-bantamweight champion, will meet his World Boxing Council (WBC) counterpart, Payao Pooltarat of Thailand, on July 5 for the WBC title. It is not known whether the WBA will approve promoters' plans to make the fight a match for the undisputed title.

TENNIS: Israel's Davis Cup European zone A semi-final against Switzerland has been put back to July 19-21 because the original date clashed with the annual Swiss Open in Gstaad.

SWIMMING: The United States governing body for the sport are to ask the International Olympic Committee and the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee to include the women's 800-metre freestyle relay in this summer's Games.

Renaissance man of the Olympics

*Modern pentathlon, an exotic collections of sports making a five-fold demand on the participant, has become as much a family business as scrap metal for Richard Phelps, one of Britain's best-ever exponents of it and a prospective medallist at the Los Angeles Olympics. **SIMON BARNES** meets the scrap metal man for whom running, riding, shooting, swimming and fencing are all in a day's work – hard work that only in the eyes of the spectator amounts to the ultimate in sporting romance.*

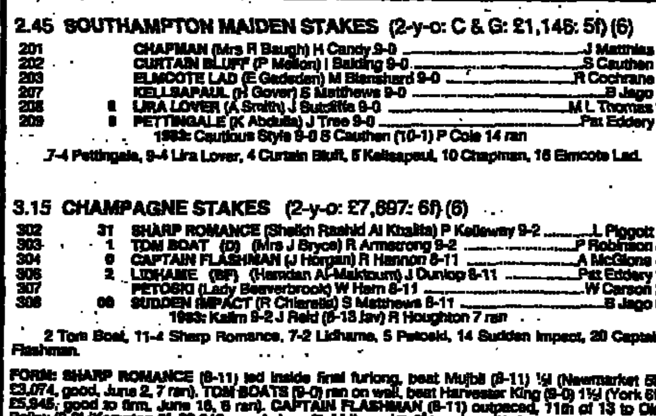
Of course, they will, most of them, try like mad to deny it, but all sportsmen are romantics at heart. So, indeed, are all soldiers: they would hardly take up the profession otherwise. Perhaps this makes the modern pentathlon the most romantic event of them all, bringing together as it does the five attributes needed by the faithful soldier as he strives to bring the good news from Ghent to Aix, no matter what obstacles he might meet on his way.

He must swim across fearful stretches of water, run unendingly across the most terrible countryside, leap on to a strange horse and career over every obstacle in his path, draw his pistol and blast his enemies into smithereens and, when all else fails, pull his trusty sword from its scabbard and run through anyone who dares still stand in his way.

Full-time pro

It is the event for the renaissance man of sport: indeed, all that seems missing from the five violently contrasting disciplines is the task of sitting down to pen a sonnet to one's mistress as a tie-breaker. But now everyone sees the modern pentathlon like that. "It certainly doesn't seem romantic to me," Richard Phelps said. "It might look romantic to you, but for me, it is too much like hard work."

The modern pentathlon is an exotic collection of sports, and you might expect that the people attracted to such an event come from a background of eccentricity and privilege. But the Phelps's are scrap-metal merchants, with a family business involving both father and uncle, and indeed, Richard himself is on the payroll.



Phelps: head and shoulders above the rest

But no one expects him to bust a gut with labours in the scrapyard. "Basically, they pay me a wage to compete in modern pentathlon competitions," he said. "I couldn't do it otherwise.

"You've got to be a full-time professional if you want to be any good in your sport, haven't you? There just isn't enough time to train in five events once you have started to work. Once you take up a full-time job, your chances of a career at the top in modern pentathlon are over."

That is no worry for Phelps, however, because the modern pentathlon has become as much a family business as scrap metal. Robert Phelps, Richard's Uncle Rob, competed in three Olympic Games, and his best performance ever was a thirteenth in the world championships. Naturally he coaches his nephew. "I was introduced to the sport by a Hungarian refugee I met playing water polo," he said. "And I just took to the sport."

The Phelpses come from Gloucestershire, and the handiest thing about having the coach on the spot is in the fencing discipline. "Fencing is the hardest to get right because the standard is so low in England. We have to make a 200 mile round trip every week just so that Richard can get some decent opposition," Uncle Rob said.

Richard Phelps finished eighth in the British national épée championships, but fencing is still one of his weakest events at international level. Though he is, he says, no better than county standard as a swimmer, swimming is one of his strongest cards. Shooting is probably the weakest of the five. You have 20 shots with your .22 pistol at a target visible for just three seconds at a time. His best is 194 out of a possible 200, but perfect scores are not unknown. "It is a question of being terribly calm," he said.

Indeed, it is the opposed temperamental demands of the five disciplines that are the most testing aspect of the event: the calm and rock-steady nerves of the pistol shooter must exist alongside the quicksilver reactions of the fencer.

Obstacle race

There is the need for the dynamic edge of excitement for the running and swimming, the two disciplines which must be the most stressed in training because of thier potential for yeilding higher point: instead of working to avoid penalties from a maximum score of 1,100 in these two the faster you go the more points you can get, and scores of 1,400 are possible in both.

"The matter of leaping on to a strange horse to surmount every obstacle is a problem for the modern pentathlete because, as many people have spent a lifetime in proving, some horses are better than others. "If you've got a poor horse, you're just stuck with it," Phelps said. Which is why his marks in riding vary so alarmingly: from a near perfect round of 1,096 to a disastrous 930. A nice horse can be the difference between winning and losng.

It is the variety of the demands, physical and spiritual that constitute the fascination of modern penthalon. "You never get bogged down, the way you do if you are training for just one event,"

Phelps said. The pain of doing your long daily run is mitigated by the prospect of sitting your uncle's gizzard in a afternoon, of perhaps of having a good old gallop instead. It is, truly, a romantic sport, more romantic, even, than the scrap metal business. But naturally, you must never admit this: "I just see it as work," Phelps said, before departing to wield his epee against all his enemies as he fought to make certain that the message would truly get through.

SALISBURY

GOING: firm

Draw advantage: 5, 8f HIGH, 10f, over LOW numbers best

2.15 DOWNTON HANICAP (3-y-o: £2,393: 7f) (12 runners)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
102	4321-00	DOUBLE QUICK TIME (Mrs W McAlpine) R Smyth 9-7	S Whitworth 5	6
103	00-1230	MOUNTAIN BEAR (BF) (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk) J Dunlop 9-7	N Dawe 5	9
105	01040-0	SON OF KANDY (C) (A Bingley) D Elsworth 8-5	S Cauthen	7
106	40200-1	ARAFY (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 9-5 (6 ex)	A Murray	5
108	490-000	SPERRIN MIST (M Kerr) M Ryan 8-11	C Allen	10
109	401420	GAUHAR (CD) (Shaikh Al Nahayan) M Blanshard 8-10	N Adams 7	1
110	303212	GO BANANA'S (Mrs K Ivory) K Ivory 8-8	R Cochrane	3
112	0-34200	NICKY NICK (D Hasmatali) M Usher 8-8	P Cook	12
114	0-040	AKEED (Maktoum Al Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-5	J Mercer	8
116	00-2210	WIND FROM THE WEST (D Tylden-Wright) N Viggers 8-5	B Rouse	4
121	00-00	PRINCESS POSSUM (A Sturge) P Mitchell 7-7	A McGlone	2
122	20-0040	GRACIOUS HOMES (W Godwin) D H Jones 7-7	B Crossley	11

1983: Bundaburg 8-3 I Johnson (15-2) S Matthews 16 ran

5-2 Go Bananas, 100-30 Arafy, 4 Mountain Bear, 11-2 Wind From The West, 8 Nicky Nick, 10 Gauhar, 14 others.

FORM: DOUBLE QUICK TIME (9-7) last of 7 to Balaash (9-8) (Sandown 8f, £2,443, good to firm, June 15). MOUNTAIN BEAR (9-5) 1 ¾l 5th to Glen Na Smole (8-5) with SPERRIN MIST (8-8) last of 11 (Leicester 7f, £3,527, good to firm, June 18). SON OF KANDY (8-11) 5l 7th of 1 to Costalotta (7-10) (Sandown 5f £3,973, good to firm, June 15). ARAFY (9-5) ran on well, beat Camden Lad (8-10) ¾l (Thirsk 8f, £3,208, good, June 19, 9 ran). GO BANANA'S (8-10) 3l 2nd of 16 to Al Ameed (8-10) (Lingfield 7f, £1,996, good to firm, June 12). NICKY NICK (8-8) 7th and GAUHAR (8-5) not in first 9 of 14 to Kiowa (8-4) (Epsom 7f, £4,116, good to soft, June 7). Earlier GAUHAR (8-1) beat NICKY NICK (8-3) a short head with GO BANANA'S (8-0) a further 3l away in 3rd (Salisbury 7f, £2,377, firm, May 9, 11 ran).
Selection: MOUNTAIN BEAR.

Salisbury selections

By Mandarin
2.15 Go Banana's. 2.45 Chapman. 3.15 LIDHAME (Nap). 3.45 Inchgower. 4.15 Viceroy Lad. 4.45 Travel Legend.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
15 Arafy. 3.15 Sharp Romance. 3.45 Mr Music Man. 4.15 Qualitaire Prince. 4.45 Cold Heart.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.15 Petoski.

2.45 SOUTHAMPTON MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: C & G: £1,146: 5f) (6)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
201		CHAPMAN (Mrs R Baugh) H Candy 9-0	J Matthias	4
202		CURTAIN BLUFF (P Mellon) I Balding 9-0	S Cauthen	1
203		ELMCOTE LAD (E Gadsden) M Blanshard 9-0	R Cochrane	3
207		KELLSAPAUL (H Gover) S Matthews 9-0	B Jago	5
208	8	LIRA LOVER (A Smith) J Sutcliffe 9-0	M L Thomas	2
209	8	PETTINGALE (K Abdulla) J Tree 9-0	Pat Eddery	6

1983: Cautious Style 9-0 S Cauthen (10-1) P Cole 14 ran

7-4 Pettingale, 9-4 Lira Lover, 4 Curtain Bluff, 5 Kellsapaul, 10 Chapman, 16 Elmcote Lad.

3.15 CHAMPAGNE STAKES (2-y-o: £7,697: 6f) (6)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
302	31	SHARP ROMANCE (Sheikh Rashid Al Khalifa) P Kelleway 9-2	L Piggott	5
303	1	TOM BOAT (D) (Mrs J Bryce) R Armstrong 9-2	P Robinson	3
304	6	CAPTAIN FLASHMAN (J Horgan) R Hannon 8-11	A McGlone	4
306	2	LIDHAME (BF) (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-11	Pat Eddery	1
307		PETOSKI (Lady Beaverbrook) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	2
308	00	SUDDEN IMPACT (R Chiarella) S Matthews 8-11	B Jago	6

1983: Kalim 9-2 J Reid (6-13 fav) R Houghton 7 ran

2 Tom Boat, 11-4 Sharp Romance, 7-2 Lidhame, 5 Petoski, 14 Sudden Impact, 20 Captain Flashman.

FORM: SHARP ROMANCE (8-11) led inside final furlong, beat Mujbil (8-11) ½l (Newmarket 6f, £3,074, good, June 2, 7 ran). TOM BOATS (9-0) ran on well, beat Harvester King (9-0) 1½l (York 6f, £5,945, good to firm, June 16, 6 ran). CAPTAIN FLASHMAN (8-11) outpaced, 11th of 13 to Old Bailey (8-2) (Kempton 6f, £3,046, good, June 2). Lidhame (9-0) kept on, 1½l 2nd of 19 to Sergeant Gerard (9-0) (Newbury 6f, £3,344, good to firm, June 14). Sudden Impact (8-11) 11¼l 5th of 8 to Provided (8-1) (Folkestone 5f, £2,578, good June 4).
Selection: TOM BOAT.

3.45 CARNARVON CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP (Amateurs: £918: 1m 4f) (14)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
401	32442/0	RECORD DANCER (R Jenks) N Gaselee 4-12-0	R Jenks 5	9
403	40000-	LADY SPEY (J Coggan) D Elsworth 4-11-5	Miss S Lawrence 5	10
404	300-432	INCHGOWER (D) (Miss D Downes) W Wightman 7-11-0	T Thomson Jones	8
406	00/0000-	GOLD INLAY (Mrs J Baldwin) 4-10-13	R Hutchinson	12
407	40000-0	KINGS (Dame E Casey) P Bailey 4-10-13	M Bradstock	1
408	0/07-000	PRINCE OF KASHMIR (G Brunton) P M Taylor 5-10-12	Amanda Harvey	3
409	00-0000	MASKELL GOLD (Mrs M Padfield) H O'Neill 4-10-12	Brooke Sanders	6
410	2-30021	ALFIE DICKINS (D) (Dickins Ltd) R Hollinshead 6-10-10 (5 ex)	A Hollinshead 5	14
411	021-000	MIDNIGHT MOUSE (D) (W Ponsonby) P Cole 4-10-9	Kim Allison 5	13
414	04/000-0	CHIEF BLACKFOOT (G Kelson) J Old 5-10-7	C Llewellyn	11
415	002040/	TREAD A MEASURE (Baroness Dacre) J Douglas-Home 6-10-4	Julie Cecil	5
416		MUI LINDA (D Dix) B Snow 9-10-12	J Wintle 5	2
417	0040/00	FIRE CHIEFTAIN (W Roker) M Madgwick 6-10-2	D Madgwick 5	4
418	0060/00	HOT ANNA (P Felden) P Felden 5-10-2	Julia Felden	7

1983: William Blake 4-10-13 R Hutchinson (5-1) J Dunlop 20 ran.

3 Alfie Dickins, 7-2 Inchgower, 5 Record Dancer, 6 Tread a Measure, 8 Midnight Mouse, 10 Prince of Kashmir, 14 Lady Spey, 20 others.

FORM: RECORD DANCER (10-3) 11th of 29 to Dromdan (10-3) at Doncaster (1m 2f, £2,635, good to firm, Mar 23). INCHGOWER (8-9) 1l 2nd of 10 to Widd (8-13) at Brighton (1m 4f, £1,646, good May 31) with MIDNIGHT HOUSE (8-9) just over 8½l back in 6th. KINGS (8-1) just over 9¼l 8th of 17 to Gunner's Belle (8-3) at Leicester (1m 2f, £2,158, good to firm, June 11). PRINCE OF KASHMIR (8-13) out of first 10 of 15 to Nashaab (9-5) at Warwick (1m 2.5f, £1,416, good to firm, June 9). ALFIE DICKINS (7-12) beat Bellamuse (8-1) 2½l at Beverley (2m, £1,402, firm, June 14, 12 ran). FIRE CHIEFTAIN (8-9) just over 12l 7th of 14 to Stonehenge (9-4) in Brighton selling handicap (1m 2f, £989, firm, Apr 30).
Selection: INCHGOWER.

4.15 NOEL CANNON MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP (£2,456: 1m) (7)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
502	000-00	TOP O'THE NORTH (P Cameron) R Hannon 4-9-7	A McGlone	2
503	2030-01	FOLLOW THE STARS (C) (C Harper) D Elsworth 4-9-6	S Cauthen	5
504	1-00000	MAILMAN (D) (Mrs J McDougald) I Balding 5-8-3	Pat Eddery	1
506	302-000	QUIET FIELD (B) (N Bohemia) J Spearing 4-8-7	W Carson	6
507	043000	QUALITAIR PRINCE (D) (Qualitair Engineering) M Ryan 5-8-5	P Robinson	3
508	000031	VICEROY LAD (B) (F Broom) R Hannon 3-8-6 (5 ex)	L Piggott	7
511	00-4000	ROYABER (CD) (C Buckley) D H Jones 6-7-11	B Crossley	4

1983: Basil Boy 4-9-5 W Carson (7-1) R Hannon 15 ran.

9-4 Viceroy Lad, 3 Follow The Stars, 4 Mailman, 6 Qualitair Prince, 8 Royaber, 12 Quiet Field, 16 Top o' The North.

FORM: TOP O' THE NORTH (9-9) not in first 9 of 14 to Alakh (9-7) (Salisbury 8f, £2,779, good to soft, June 5). FOLLOW THW STARS (9-7), beat Music City (8-2) 1l (Salisbury 1m 2f, £2,828, good to soft, June 5, 13 ran). MAILMAN (8-1) 5½l 6th to Are Essence (8-1) with QUALITAIR PRINCE (7-7) 9th of 11 (York 8f, £11,725, good to firm, June 16). QUIET FIELD (8-12) 9¾l 6th of 7 to Gouverno (9-11) (Sandown 8f, £2,949, soft, May 29). VICEROY LAD (8-11) beat Fille De Bourbon (7-12) 1½l (Wolverhampton 8f, £2,690, firm, June 25, 14 ran).
Selection: FOLLOW THE STARS.

4.45 TISBURY FILLIES STAKES (3-y-o: £1,607: 7f) (17)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
601	0-0	ALL SAINTS DAY (P McCalmont) P Walwyn 8-11	N Howe	1
602	233-003	AMERICAN WINTER (W Jones jun) G Harwood 8-11	G Starkey	14
603	00-2	BARGOUZINE (Mrs P Meyner) R Hinchliffe 8-11	L Piggott	9
610	04-000	GAZELLE D'OR (A McCall) R Smyth 8-11	B Raymond	2
611	0	GEM SET (Baroness H Thyssen) 8-11	J Reid	5
612		HARVEY'S CHOICE (Mrs B Shaw) B Shaw 8-11	W Higgins	3
614	00-0020	LAFROWDA (R Warren) R Hoad 8-11	D McKeown	13
615	404-404	LOTUS PRINCESS (B) (R Shannon) R Hannon 8-11	P Cook	12
616	200-0	NOBODY'S PERFECT (D Marks) J Holt 8-11	S Cauthen	17
617	00-00	OUT TO LUNCH (R McMillan) S Woodman 8-11	T Quinn	7
619	003	PUGET SOUND (BF) (M Berger) J Dunlop 8-11	Pat Eddery	15
620	0-0	RENDSLEY BELLE (T Walker) M Usher 8-11	A McGlone	6
621	0	RUSSOLA (R McLoughlin) S Mellor 8-11	M Wigham	10
623	00	SISTERHOOD (Mrs P Makin) P Makin 8-11	R Wernham	11
625	0-	TOSCANA (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	4
626	0-430	TRAVEL LEGEND (R Patrick) P Walwyn 8-11	J Mercer	8
627	00-00	WINDOW SHOPPER (Mrs C Wintour) G Balding 8-11	J Williams	16

1983: Div I: Gay Broad 8-4 L Jones (8-1) R Hannon 13 ran.
Div II: Maltese Pet 8-11 B Taylor (20-1) R Baker 12 ran.

7-2 American Winter, 9-2 Puget Sound, 6 Travel Legend, Bargouzine, 8 Toscana, 10 Lotus Princess, 12 Lafrowda, Gazelle Dior, 16 others

FORM: AMERICAN WINTER (8-11) beaten under 1l when 3rd of 16 to Al Bayan (8-11) at Sandown (7f, £3,641, good to firm, June 16), with GAZELL D'OR (8-11) just over 1½l away 5th. RENDSLEY BELLE (8-11) 7th and GEM SET (8-11) out of first nine. BAR GOUZINE (8-2) ½l 2nd of 13 to Tocave (8-11) at Folkestone (6f, £813, good, June 4). LOTUS PRINCESS (8-4) 4½l 3rd of 11 to Cand (9-13) in app h'cap at Goodwood (6f, £2,691, good May 24). PUGET SOUND (8-11) ¾l 3rd of 14 to Nasiwah (8-11) at Epsom (8.5f, £2,796, good, June 8), with GAZELLE D'OR (8-11) back in 9th. TRAVEL LEGEND (8-5) beaten over 4½l when 7th of 19 to Sajeda (8-7) at Newmarket (6f, £3,895, good to soft, June 11.

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2.30 WALLSEND HANDICAP (£3,003: 6f) (12 runners)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
2	11004-0	ROYSIA BOY (CD) (P Martin) G P-Gordon 4-9-9	G Duffield	8
3	4/11-00	LOCH PEARL (D) (E Robbins) M H Easterby 4-9-4	M Birch	9
4	100103	LUCKY DUTCH (D) (BF) (C Buckton) M W Easterby 5-8-10 (5 ex)	M Hindley 5	3
5	000000	MEL'S CHOICE (B) (M Brittain) D Plant 8-8-9	B Coogan	2
6	00-0000	SOME YOYO (D) (J Finlayson) C H Bell 4-8-9	N Carlisle	5
8	1044449	MARY MAGUIRE (D) (P Durham) Mrs M Nesbitt 7-8-3	K Darley	4
9	220-012	LOCHFEN (D) (Mrs H Ballard) K Stone 3-8-2	K Hodgson	10
10	0-21242	VALLEY MILLS (BF) (D Moore) T Barron 4-8-1	M Fry	7
11	000034	GAN ON LAD (C) (Mrs E Taylor) Denys Smith 3-7-12	D Leadbitter 7	1
12	320420	SPOILT FOR CHOICE (D) (W Chapman) D Chapman 6-7-12	S P Griffiths 7	11
13	0-00302	BETTABET GERAGHTY (B) (D) (M. F. Geraghty Ltd) Miss S Hall 6-7-11	W Ryan 3	12
14	0-00443	MARSHALL RED (M Bailey) J Mason 4-7-8	J Lowe	6

1983: General Wade 5-8-9 B Raymond (11-2) P Makin 8 ran.

5-2 Lochfen, 7-2 Valley Mills, 4 Lucky Dutch, 6 Gan On Lad, 8 Roysia Boy, 10 Marshall Red, 14 others.

Newcastle selections

By Madarin
2.30 Mel's Choice 3.0 John Fresh 3.30 Moore's Metal 4.0 Cornwall 4.30 Legal Lad 5.0 Bradford

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Roysia Boy 3.30 On Oath 4.30 Alcmere 5.0 Pukka Major

By Michael Seely
3.30 Vintage Toll (Nap) 4.30 Alcmere

3.0 STAGSHAW SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £1,268: 5f) (9)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
2	2003	JOHN FRESH (T Taylor) J Berry 8-11	W R Swinburn	4
3	4	BOARDING HOUSE (M Walker) K Stone 8-8	M Birch	7
4	03	GREY CREE (Mrs O Wreford) J Etherington 8-8	M Wood	3
5	022	KEEP STILL (BF) (D Hall) J Berry 8-8	K Darley	5
6	0	LADY ABWAH (M Brittain) D Plant 8-8	B Coogan	1
7	3	LEMON GROVE (D Harrison) A Bailey 8-8	P Bloomfield 5	8
8	3230	OCKEYTA (Mrs A Upsdell) D Weeden 8-8	G Duffield	6
9	8	SPECIAL STEP (Mrs M Ward) H Wharton 8-8	W Wharton	2
10	0030	WITHERHOLME (M W Easterby) M W Easterby 8-8	–	9

1983: Scarlet O'Harlot 8-8 T Ives (evens fav) W Musson 9 ran.

15-8 Grey Cree, 11-4 Lemon Grove, 9-2 Keep Still, 13-2 John Fresh, Boarding House, 12 Ockeyta, 20 others.

3.30 DOBSON PEACOCK HANDICAP (£4,425: 1m) (7)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
1	010000	MOORES METAL (CD) (Moores Stoke Ltd) R Hollinshead 4-9-10	W Ryan 3	6
2	312-020	ON OATH (Marquesa de Moratalla) B Hobbs 3-8-8	G Baxter	5
3	233-220	VINTAGE TOLL (B) (D Cannon) J FitzGerald 4-8-3	E Hide	4
4	0-11200	EASTFORM (D) (W Swiers) D Chapman 4-9-0	D Nicholls	2
5	001230	MORWRAY BOY (D) (R Wray) S Norton 4-8-11	T Williams 5	7
7	0120-11	WINDPIPE (CD) (Duke of Sutherland) J W Watts 6-8-7	A Gorman 7	1
8	0-34404	COLEY (D) (R Coleman) Denys Smith 5-7-7	M Fry	3

1983: Wongchol 4-7-7 A Mackay (9-1) E Eldin 11 ran.

9-4 Vintage Toll, 3 Windpipe, 9-2 Morwray Boy, 13-2 Coley, 8 Moores Metal 10 On Oath, 16 Eastform.

4.0 CHESTERS STAKES (2-y-o: £4,542: 6f) (2)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
1	31120	Y I OYSTON (R Oyston) J Berry 9-2	K Darley	2
2	12224	CORNWALL (R Bonnycastle) B Hills 8-11	E Hide	1

1983: Idolize 8-6 P Young (11-8 fav) E Weymes 6 ran.

8-15 Cornwall, 11-8 Y I Oyston.

4.30 HEDDON HANDICAP (3-y-o: 1m 4f 60yd) (6)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
3	10-0000	TROUVERE (Sheikh R Al Khalifa) B Hanbury 9-7	W R Swinburn	6
5	00-02	ALCMENE (BF) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 9-0	G Baxter	5
7	041010	PROCEEDING (B) (BF) (Mrs B Ward) A Jarvis 8-10	J Lowe	2
9	00-0001	LEGAL LAD (P Scott) P Rohan 8-10 (4 ex)	R Fahey 7	3
10	20003	CLUEDO (B) (D Harrison) R J Williams 8-9	G Duffield	1
11	000-032	TRENGALE (Mrs S Camacho) M Camacho 7-7	T Williams 5	4

1983: Florenzo 7-11 J Lowe (10-1) M Camacho 6 ran.

7-4 Alcmene 3 Proceeding, 5 Legal Lad, 8 Trouvere, 10 Cluedo, Trengale.

5.0 STOCKSFIELD STAYERS MAIDEN STAKES (£1,988: 2m) (14)

No	Form	Horse	Jockey	Draw
2		CLONDELLO LAD (F Hargreaves) E Alston 6-9-11	M Alston 7	8
4	0000-	MR TAGG (J Martin) C H Bell 4-9-11	NON-RUNNER	13
6	2000-42	SNOWY RIVER (Duke of Northumberland) R D Peacock 4-9-11	E Hide	14
7	2	STONE JUG (G Rickman) Miss S Hall 4-9-11	J Bleasdale	1
8		JIM'S DARLEEN (R Entwistle) W G M Turner 4-9-8	–	2
9	0-0	LOCKETTS DREAM (T Warner) R Baker 4-9-8	W Ryan 3	12
10	03	ARGES (J McCaughey) R Hollinshead 3-8-8	S Perks	13
11	00-3003	BALLYCRACKERS (BF) (Mrs J Conway) M H Easterby 3-8-8	M Birch	4
12	00	BRADFORD (B McNeil) A Stewart 3-8-8	R Swinburn	3
18	0034	PUKKA MAJOR (Sheikh Mohammed) J Hindley 3-8-8	B Taylor	6
20	00-20	STRATHCONON (BF) (Lady Macdonald-Buchanan) M Prescott 3-8-8	G Duffield	9
21	0	TABER (S Taberner) S Norton 3-8-8	J Lowe	7
23	0000-00	MERRYWREN (G Morley) R Whitaker 3-8-5	J H Brown 5	5
25	0	TRIPLE KNOT (Mrs J Brearley) T Fairhurst 3-8-5	M Wood	11

1983: Rig Steel 3-8-8 S Perks (11-8) R Hollinshead 10 ran.

5-2 Snowy River, 7-2 Stone Jug, 9-2 Pukka Major, 6 Arges, 10 Ballycrackers, Strathconon, Bradford, 20 others.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM

CONVOCATION

The Annual Meeting of Convocation will be held on Thursday, 5 July, 1984, in the Castle Hall, Durham, immediately after a Congregation for conferring degrees which is to begin at 12.00 noon. Any member of Convocation wishing to attend should notify the undersigned as soon as possible.

I. E. GRAHAM
Registrar and Secretary.

AGENDUM
Annual Report by Vice-Chancellor and Warden

University Office,
Old Shire Hall,
Old Elvet,
Durham, DH1 3HP.
1 June, 1984.

NON-SECRETARIAL APPOINTMENTS

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Public Appointments

The Executive Committee of GREATER LONDON ARTS has recently agreed on a revised staff structure and wishes to receive applications for the following positions. (Some are existing and others are new posts).

DEPUTY DIRECTOR (Ref. 841)

This position carries the prime responsibility for co-ordinating the development of regional strategies and in particular partnerships with local authorities; involving the support of the work of the arts development officers in these areas.

An informal understanding of arts provision in London is required and substantial knowledge of local government is essential. Candidates must show relevant senior management experience.

Salary scale £13,589-£15,225 under review (including London Weighting of £1,191).

P.R. & PUBLICATION OFFICER (Ref. 842)

To develop an overall marketing strategy and corporate publicity campaigns, to reintroduce a regular association publication and provide an accurate arts information service.

Good contacts and understanding of press relations together with a broad knowledge of arts publicity and marketing are required.

Salary scale £9,345-£10,851 under review (including London Weighting of £1,191).

ETHNIC ARTS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (Ref. 843)

A new and highly challenging position in developing the existing policies and practices for the support of ethnic arts activities and encouraging and co-ordinating the association's activities in this field.

An informal understanding of ethnic arts in London is required, and candidates must have knowledge of funding bodies. Proven ability to initiate and motivate is required in this exciting post.

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ASSISTANT OFFICER – Community Art (Ref. 844)

To assist in all aspects of the support and development of Community Art in Greater London.

A knowledge and understanding of the Community Art field and administrative secretarial skills are required, initiative and a willingness to share office routine is important.

Salary scale £7,455-£8,196 under review (including London Weighting of £1,191).

Full details and application forms from:
The Director, Greater London Arts,
25-31 Tavistock Place,
London, WC1H 9SF.

Please quote job reference numbers on applications. Closing date of completed applications. Monday, July 16, 1984.

GREATER LONDON ARTS IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

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LONDON EXECUTIVE

£12,600-£14,300 (under review)

Applications are invited from experienced and enthusiastic self-starters for the challenging and demanding post of London Executive in the Scottish New Towns London Office.

The Office provides a physical presence in London for the five Scottish New Towns of Cumbernauld, East Kilbride, Glenrothes, Irvine and Livingston through which information about the towns can be disseminated and interest generated in them as centres of industrial attraction for both English and Overseas Investors.

Based in the centrally situated Scottish Centre just off Trafalgar Square, the successful candidate will be required to act as the Scottish New Towns' representative in London and will be expected to stimulate interest in the New Towns and complement the individual and collective promotional activities of the towns. This will entail maintaining and developing close personal contacts with the media and institutions involved in inward investment and industrial attraction such as the Banks, Consulates, Chambers of Commerce, etc. and the writing of press articles and notices, arranging press conferences, exhibitions and receptions as and when required.

The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate proven experience in industrial marketing and public relations, gained preferably in both the public and private sector and possess a sound knowledge of Scotland and its economic structure. The envisaged age group is around 30 and would suit applicants educated to degree standard who can work on their own initiative and who can cope with patience and humour with the demands imposed by five autonomous New Town Development Corporations.

In addition to the above salary a competitive package of benefits is available to the right candidate.

The London Office is administered by East Kilbride Development Corporation, and Application Forms are available from their Personnel Department, Atholl House, East Kilbride G74 1LU or by telephoning East Kilbride 41111. Closing date for receipt of applications is 6th July 1984. It is intended to hold interviews in the London Office later in July.

THE SCOTTISH NEW TOWNS

NORTH WESTERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

PLANNING FOR HEALTH ASSISTANT SECRETARY (ACUTE SERVICES)

£10,393 – £12,615

An experienced planning professional is required to head up a team concerned specifically with the development of acute hospital services for the 4 million residents of the North Western Health Region, which comprises Greater Manchester and Lancashire.

Responsible directly to the Regional Services Planning Officer, the post holder will contribute to long-term strategy for acute care, including regional specialities and will help monitor progress towards the regional objectives of correcting deficiencies and reducing current variations in access to services by half over the next ten years. The Assistant Secretary will also fulfil a co-ordinating role for the Services Planning Section as a whole in the analysis and assessment of annual programmes from the region's nineteen District Health Authorities for developments and cost improvements across the whole range of their local health services.

Detailed knowledge of the NHS planning and review systems would be an advantage, although candidates from outside the health sector should not be deterred from applying if they can demonstrate well developed planning and policy analysis skills and an ability to adapt quickly and get things done.

Application forms and job descriptions available from the Regional Personnel Officer, North West Regional Health Authority, Gateway House, Piccadilly South, Manchester, M60 7LP. Tel: 061-236 9456, Ext 425. Closing date: July 9, 1984. Please quote reference 2670C.

GREATER LONDON EMPLOYERS' SECRETARIAT

ASSISTANT EMPLOYERS' SECRETARY (INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS)

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This is a key post within the Greater London Employers Secretariat which has become vacant on the appointment of the previous postholder as Assistant Chief Executive with a London Borough

The appointment requires a high calbre professional to take a leading role in the personnel and industrial relations services provide by the Secretariat to the 32 London Boroughs, GLC and ILEA.

Ideally, applicants should be able to demonstrate considerable experience relevant to

- conducting negotiations with trade unions,
- advising on the interpretation and application of the relevant national and regional service conditions agreements;
- participation in arbitration and conciliation services,
- advising elected members, chief officers and their staffs on personnel and industrial relations policies procedures and practices, developments in employment law and practice:
- participation in the training activities of the Secretariat, as required:
- participation in the general management of the Secretariat as a member of the Secretariat Management Team.

The post is subject to the conditions of service of the NJC for Local Authorities' APT & C Services.

Application forms and further particulars are obtainable from the Employers' Secretary, Greater London Employers' Secretariat, Alembic House, (1st Floor), 93 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TQ. (Tel: 01-582 6152). Closing date 20th July, 1984

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ASSISTANT CITY LIBRARIAN

(Head of Bibliographical Services)

£11,703 – £12,738

Applications are invited from Chartered Librarians with wide and relevant experience in the organisation and management of a large public library system.

General local government conditions apply, together with the payment of removal expenses, etc, in appropriate cases.

Further details and application forms, returnable by the 13th July 1984, are obtainable from the director of Personnel and Management Services, Municipal Buildings, Liverpool L69 2DH. (051 227-3911 ext. 706).

The Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and welcomes applications irrespective of race, sex, marital status, or disability.

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Head of London Regional Office

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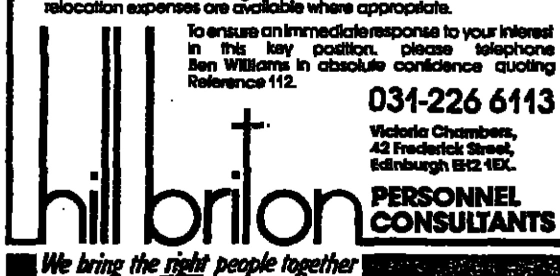
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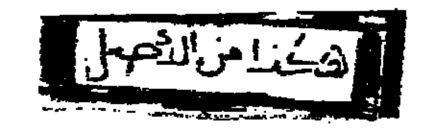
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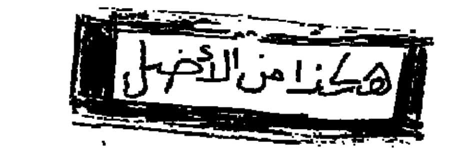
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The Times guide to career development

The shape of managers to come

Patricia Tisdall asks will it be high-tech or the human touch?

There are two divergent schools of thought about the style of tomorrow's managers. In the high tech version, the twenty-first century manager would run his or her department with screens, switches and monitoring devices rather like a helicopter pilot or an astronaut. Work would consist of a continuous series of rapid decisions based on a constant stream of data supplied electronically from a multitude of internal and external sources.

The pace would probably be very fast, similar to that of today's foreign exchange dealers. Working hours would be short, since quick reflexes would be needed and so would working lifetimes. There would be little necessity or indeed time for personal contact during on-duty shifts which would rotate around the clock.

More than a hint of the future

The human resource school, on the other hand, envisages tomorrow's managers operating in as similar way to university chancellors. It has been said that managing academics is like trying to herd cats a phrase which already strikes a chord with the proprietors of highly-specialized computer software companies. It certainly seems inevitable that the articulate specialists who will constitute a large slice of tomorrow's workforce will have individualistic traits similar to those of today's academics and software consultants.

Work for the human resource-type manager would involve negotiation, arbitration, guidance and generally providing a shoulder to cry on. Working hours would be long with interminable meetings, both planned and impromptu. Working lifetimes would be extended into the seventies age bracket and beyond, but punctuated by sabbaticals, extended periods of study and secondments to other organizations There would probably be a high level of mobility and a number of locations during the early and mid-career stages.

Though divergent at the extremes, the two concepts of management are not exclusive. Both types can, and probably will, coexist within the same organization. There is more than a hint of the future in Black & Decker's recruitment adverisement for a technical facilities manager which appeared on these pages recently – calling for someone who is "a scientist with computers and an artist with people". It looked for "tact, discretion and a real gift for effective communication" as well as "capacity planning and performance specification and the setting and maintenance of (technical) standards".

A third category of manager is still less visible than the high-tech or the human resource trends but because of scarcity, it may ultimately be the most valued. This is the old-fashioned type, whose main attribute is a gift for motivating unskilled workers. Many of the new service jobs created by technological change are less secure, lower paid and offer less long-term satisfaction than the full-time skilled jobs they replace.

Higher levels of management skills than ever before will be needed to prevent shoddy work and absenteeism, and to fill the vacuum created by the lack of inherent job satisfaction.

Managers in this category will require a mixture of the teacher' or social worker's talents with the skills of a foreman or an NCO. In the absence of other incentive, they will have to be able to inspire significant personal loyalty to maintain standards and levels of output. The most effective environment for this type of manager requires recognition and appreciation as well as a strong dash of idealism.

It is worth remembering that the twenty-first century's managers are today's sixth formers and undergraduates and that their attitudes to employment are very different from those of their 1960s' predecessors. They are more conscientious, more orthodox, less rebellious and value job security more. They have also reversed earlier attitudes to work and leisure. Work is now seen as socially desirable while leisure, including retirement, is regarded as a necessary evil.

The great age of creativity

It is likely that the employment wheel will have to make several more revolutions before the predictions made by futurists such as Issac Asimov or H. G. Wells come true. According to Asimov the twenty-first century will be the great age of creativity "in which, finally, machines will do the hum-drum work of humanity. The computers will keep the world going and human beings will be free at last to do the things that only human beings can do – to create".

Taking risks on the way up

The ability to take risks is an important asset for anyone wanting to advance their career. This sort of responsibility is increasingly valued in business, so acquiring the right qualities and skills is one way to achieve recognition.

Although middle management is the fruitful stage for risk-taking, both in experience and opportunities, junior managers can progress more quickly by thinking about choices, opportunities and how to take them. Women often take to the risk element more easily than men, despite their caution in applying for the better jobs, as they tend to be more flexible.

Kirsty Ross, a consultant in Blackburn, Lancashire, is one of the few people training men and women in risk-taking. These skills, she says, are closely linked to qualities such as enterprise, confidence, a willingness to delegate and to take responsibility. Risk-antipathy stems from lack of expertise and fear of failure, and is an obstacle to career progress.

Ms Ross deals with the importance of change, as managers develop within the company, and of deciding the kind of risks they are willing and, equally important, unwilling to take.

How do you know if you're a risk-taker? Think of things you have done fairly recently for the first time, and things you do differently from others. For which tasks do you vary the method? Which ones do you always do in the same way?

Consider your non-work life. At what age did you learn to drive? How do you manage your money, both for investment and spending? Do you ever risk large sums? Perhaps you have taken part in parachuting or para-sailing - why do you prefer this sort of risk to those that are work-based?

How do you view authority figures at work? When, if ever, are you inclined to break the rules? Following them too slavishly can denote a low self-image, so try to discover the reason for this.

Your first effort could be to make a change in the office, in the way you do things, and in your general attitude. Be less introspective, more positive about decisions, more assertive. But be consistent! Unless you have a mentor or sponsor, start with smaller risks at work and gradually build up, using Kirsty Ross's guidelines.

Always be ethical. Be clear about the boundaries of your job and whether a risk is in your sphere of control. If the risk fails, you may be moved to the "wilderness"; could you put the wilderness and/or yourself back into the mainstream? Before embarking on a really big risk, be sure that you have an alternative source of income.

As an example of sensible risk-taking on a personal level, Ms Ross cites Clive Thornton, who has taken enormous business risks. Will he continue to do so as chairman of Mirror Newspapers?

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BOREEL – See McGauran

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PLOWMAN Joan (née Sammons) wife of Garth at home on June 26th

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THICKNES – 29 Woodcroft Road, Wylam on June 14th age 21 years Mary Lou much loved daughter of Philip and Jane sister of William and John and Emma and a dear friend of many. Service in St Oswins Church, Wylam, Friday June 29th at 11.30am. Burial private. If desired donations in lieu of flowers to Newcastle Association for Mental Help c/o Barclays Bank, Acorn Road Jesmond, Newcastle

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9.00 Quilting. Penny McMorris with the fourth of her ten-part series on the craft of quilting, examines Log-cabin quilting 9.25 Ceefax. 10.30 Play School.

10.55 Cricket: Second Test. Coverage of the first day's play in the match at Lord's between England and the West Indies, introduced by Peter West.

1.05 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Michael Fish. 1.22 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.25 Fingerbobs.

1.40 Cricket: Second Test and Wimbledon 84. Peter West introduces the play on the afternoon of the first day's play at Lord's and Harry Carpenter sets the scene at Wimbledon where play is in progress on the fourth day of the All-England championships. 4.18 Regional news (not London).

4.20 Play School presented by Brian Cant. 4.40 Huckleberry Finn and his Friends. Episode 13 of the 26-part serial based on the stories of Mark Twain. Starring Ian Tracey as Huckleberry Finn and Sammy Snyders as Tom Sawyer (r).

5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.15 We Are the Champions. Heat two of the inter-schools' athletics competition comes from Middlemoor Police Training College, Exeter.

5.40 Sixty Minutes with news from Moira Stuart at 5.40; weather at 5.54; regional magazines at 5.55; and news headlines at 6.38.

6.40 Cartoon. Droopy in MGM's The Shooting of Dan McGoo.

6.50 Top of the Pops introduced by Steve Wright and Andy Peebles.

7.30 Hi-de-Hi! Comedy from the Fifties holiday camp where, this week, Joe Maplin appoints a yellowcoat supervisor who demands a chalet to herself and then demotes Gladys to whom she has taken an instant dislike (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

8.00 International Athletics. The Bislett Games from Oslo, introduced by David Icke. Among those athletes due to take part are Sebastian Coe, Steve Ovett, Steve Cram and Zola Budd.

8.30 Boyce Goes West. Max Boyce is at a rodeo school in Colorado where he learns the arts of steer wrestling and bareback bull-riding. (See Choice).

9.00 News with Sue Lawley.

9.25 Solo. Gemma finds out something about herself when she has a close encounter with a friendly neighbour during a power failure (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

9.55 Wimbledon 84. Desmond Lynam with highlights of the match of the day and Gerald Williams with comment.

10.55 International Athletics. Highlights from tonight's meeting which included the Men's 5,000 metres and the 4 x 100 metres relay.

11.20 Can You Avoid Cancer? (See Choice).

11.45 News headlines and weather.

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6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.33; Cyril Smith's family business at 6.40 and 8.15; exercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the day's anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.13; Popeye cartoon at 7.23; guest of the day, Gary Sobers, at 7.40; Echo and the Bunnymen video at 7.55; Paul Gambaccini's film review at 8.34; a discussion on taking baby on holiday at 9.03.

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9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: A family holiday by the seaside. 9.42 A natural history film about the edge of the sea. 9.59 Basic arithmetic: Equality and Time. 10.11 How a community helped a school. 10.28 The changing role of women in society. 10.50 Weston-Super-Mare in and out of season. 11.08 Learning to read with Basil Brush. 11.22 A cliff-top walk. 11.40 Rural and provincial communities in Austria.

11.55 Wattoo-Wattoo. Cartoon series about a bird (r). 12.00 Heggerty Haggerty. The first of a new series of tales about a friendly witch. Read by George Cole. 12.10 Get Up and Go! with Berryl Reid (r). 12.30 The Sullivans. World War Two drama about an Australian family.

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 A Plus Revisited. Mavis Nicholson talks to black American writer Maya Angelou (r). 2.00 Crown Court. Concluding the case of the parents accused of kidnapping their daughter from a religious sect (r). 2.30 Stangers. Skulduggery at a policeman's convention in the country (r). 3.30 Sons and Daughters; 4.00 Heggerty Haggerty (r); 4.15 Dangermouse. 4.20 Talking Animal a new natural history series, presented by David Taylor and Dawn Lodge begins with a look at the elephant. 4.45 What's Happening. Topical general knowledge quiz between teams representing Hereward Radio and Radio West. 5.15 The Young Doctors.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames News.

6.15 Database. For home computer users.

6.45 International Athletics from Bislett Stadium, Oslo. Highlights of the afternoon and evening events. The commentators are Adrian Metcalf and Alan Pascoe.

7.35 The Streets of San Francisco. Detective Mike Stone investigates an accidental killing of a veteran police officer whose partner at the time of the shooting is an alcoholic (r).

8.30 Minder: Aces High – and Sometimes Very Low. Terry is minding a professional gambler who has been barred from casinos and mugged of his winnings. Starring George Cole, Dennis Waterman and Anthony Valentine (r).

9.30 TV Eye; Fire in the Gulf. A report on the Gulf War from an oil tanker and from Tehran as thousands of Revolutionary guards volunteer to fight on the front.

10.00 News followed by Thames news headlines.

10.30 Hill Street Blues. Belker disguises himself as a disabled person.

11.30 Crying Out Loud. Steve Taylor and Jeni Barnett with 50 young people who describe what it is like to be black in this country.

12.00 Portrait of a Legend. James Darren with a tribute to Lionel Richie.

12.25 Night Thoughts.

Jean Watts and disabled children: BBC 2, 8.00 pm.

CHOICE

● The bitterness that clouds the closing moments of CHILDREN OUT OF MIND, tonight's Open Space documentary (BBC 2, 8.00pm) is perfectly understandable: here is a school for severely mentally handicapped children being shrunk by the area health authority to a shadow of its former self, most of its charges being dispersed to other schools and, most tragic of all, the strong link between child and teacher, carefully forged over many months, being suddenly snapped. *Children Out of Mind* is an emotionally devastating film. No story about disadvantaged children can fail to move us, this one takes handicap to the furthermost point. You will not easily forget the young lad whose face is reduced to a mass of cuts and bruises through constant self-mutilation, or the other boy, autistic, aimlessly and endlessly circling the schoolroom. Clarefield Court Hospital School, once a three-classroom establishment, adjoining a hospital, has now been reduced to a one-room annexe. "They hope we'll sink without trace," says one of the embittered teachers. "They thought we weren't good enough to save." Tonight's film was made when the marvellous work being done at Clarefield was proceeding with all stops out. It was a wise decision on someone's part that a moment in time, encapsulating a fine humanitarian effort, should have been captured for all time.

● BOYCE GOES WEST (BBC 1, 8.30pm) continues the painful transformation of the likable Welsh troubadour into an American cowboy and, as in last week's film, the uneasy suspicion keeps creeping into our thoughts that there could be something of a death wish in his pitting himself against horned fury on four legs. Tonight, Mr Boyce rides bare-back on a bucking bull, and attempts to wrestle with a steer. To his credit, he admits to feeling scared.

● CAN YOU AVOID CANCER? (BBC 1, 11.20pm) answers the question with a cautious "yes". The guidelines are familiar: don't smoke; cut alcohol consumption; avoid obesity; eat more fresh fruit and veg; think fibre; have regular cervical smear tests; and don't spend too much time baking in the sun. Less familiar, and more prejudicial to our life-style, is the implicit recommendation that we should become Mormons and go and live in Salt Lake City.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Maths: Dodecahedral Group. 6.30 Hansel and Gretel. 6.55 Water for Jordan. 7.20 Social Integration Family Comedy. 7.45 New Hips for Old. Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Ceefax.

9.52 Daytime on Two: Capricorn Game. For the very young. 10.09 Ceefax. 10.34 A look at the nuclear arms race with young people giving their views. (Ends at 10.54). 11.05 How holidaymakers have changed the lifestyle of Aegean islanders. 11.30 Ceefax. 11.55 Basic electromagnetism. 12.20 Geomagnetism. 12.45 Seismology. 1.35 Exploring with Physics. 2.00 You and Me. For the very young. 2.15 Children copy the sounds of a number of South American animals. 2.40 How a computer helps a paralysed person to walk again.

3.00 Wimbledon '84, Cricket: Second Test and International Athletics. Coverage of the fourth day's play at the All England Club; the first day's play at Lord's; and of the Bislett Games in Oslo. At Wimbledon the commentators are Dan Maskell; John Barrett, Gerald Williams, Barry Davies, Mark Cox, Bill Threlfall, Ann Jones and Virginia Wade; at Lord's, Richie Benaud, Jim Laker, Ted Dexter and Jack Bannister; in Oslo, David Coleman and Ron Pickering.

7.55 News summary with subtitles.

8.00 Open Space: Children Out of Mind. A behind-the-scenes look at Clarefield Court Hospital School, near Maidenhead, a special school for mentally handicapped children. (See Choice).

8.30 Nature. The last programme in the weekly series about wildlife, presented by Tony Soper and Brian Leith, examines the 'sixth sense' of salmon, the threat to salmon survival; the possibility that bat deaths may be caused by wood preservatives; and how Dartmouth fishermen are conserving the crabs that are their livelihood.

9.00 Film: Sweet Bird of Youth (1961) starring Paul Newman, Geraldine Page and Shirley Knight. Newman is Chance Wayne, a Hollywood gigolo who returns to his home town with his latest keeper – an over-the-hill actress hooked on drugs. The presence of the pair turns the atmosphere in the town to the acid side of sour. Based on the stage play by Tennessee Williams and directed by Richard Brooks.

10.55 Newsnight.

11.40 Cricket: Second Test. Highlights of the first day's play.

12.10 Open University: Chemical Processes. 12.35 Social Psychology. 1.00 Parents of Children. Ends at 1.30.

CHANNEL 4

4.45 The Countdown Final. Richard Whiteley is the questionmaster assisted, as it is the final, by two dictionary buffs – Gyles Brandreth and Ned Sherrin.

5.30 Start Here. Science series for children featuring Konrad the Robot who, today, shows his young students how to make a paint spray with drinking straws; test fly an aircraft wing; and to balance a ball on an invisible column of air (r).

6.00 What a Picture! Professor John Hedgecoe discusses ways to meet the challenge of perspective and scale in photographing buildings. To illustrate his advice he travels to Normandy chateaux and to New York's skyscrapers (r).

6.30 The Good Food Show. This month's edition examines the marvels of microwave cooking and of the oldest health food in the world. With Richard Wyatt, Su Ingle, Meera Tanvja and, searching for the taste of the countryside, Prue Leith.

7.00 Channel Four News.

7.50 Comment. Ninety-year-old Herbert Sulzbach who served under the Kaiser in World War One and under King George VI in World War Two remembers the events that led to the outbreak of World War One, 70 years ago today.

8.00 Pushing the Limits. The sixth programme in the series that examines the sports that push men and women to extremes of endurance focuses on cave-diving, the sport that starts where pot-holing finishes. Tonight's film outlines the history of the sport from a significant location – Wookey Hole in the Mendips where the sport began 50 years ago – and where, tonight, we can see Martyn Farr preparing for a record breaking dive, 200 feet below the surface.

8.30 American Caesar. The sixth programme in the series based on William Manchester's biography of General MacArthur reaches the point when the war in the Pacific is over. MacArthur finds himself the new overlord of Japan and warns his troops of reprisals; demands food and medical aid for the defeated Japanese; and refuses to put the Emperor on trial.

9.00 Soap. Burt, with only a short time to live decides to live it up, while Billy at last loses his virginity.

9.30 Film: In the White City (1983) starring Bruno Ganz as Paul, a ship's mechanic who deserts his ship when it docks in Lisbon. Here he meets a young girl and their casual relationship grows into love. Portuguese dialogue with English subtitles. Directed by Alain Tanner.

11.25 Lifers. Four young men, all under 21 when they committed murder, talk about their life in HM Prison Swinfen Hall.

11.45 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57 Weather; Travel; Rollercoaster. Join Richard Baker for what is advertised as entertaining and provocative conversation, including 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 News. 10.30 Morning Story: "Mouths Closed for Open Night" by Gwynneth Branfoot. 10.45 An Act of Worship.
12.00 News; Checkpoint with Roger Cook.
12.27 Film Star. Alexander Walker recalls the screen careers of the cinema's brightest stars. This week: Charles Laughton. With soundtrack excerpts. 12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes a report by Stephen Lynas on the impact that Billy Graham's Mission England crusade had on a coach party from Brundall, a village in Norfolk. Also: the second episode of The Colour of Magic, read by Nigel Hawthorne.
3.00 Afternoon Theatre: All the Way Home, by Giles Cooper. An office couple plan one night of illicit love. Co-starring Michael Bryant and Jan Waters.†
3.47 Just the Job. A chef's life.
4.00 News: Enquire Within with Neil Landor.
4.10 Bookshelf. Radio 4s book programme with Hunter Davies, Jeffrey Archer, Maeve Binchy, and Victoria Glendinning (r).
4.40 Story Time: "The Year of the Lion" by Gerald Hanley (6). Read by Nigel Anthony.
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six O'Clock News: Financial Report†.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Any Answers? with David Jacobs.
7.40 Murder At Sarajevo. The story of the momentous assassination on June 28, 1914, of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife Sophie. Presented by Professor James Joll.
8.25 1884. Stanley Williamson opens the file on life in Hull 100 years ago, as it was reflected in the local newspapers of the time.
8.45 Pride of Place: Barcelona. A personal view by playwright Guy Meredith.
9.30 Glyn Worsnip in the BBC Sound Archives.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine. Includes comment on the Disney film Splash and Alexander Bland's book Men Dancing.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "Riceyman Steps" by Arnold Bennett (4). Read by Martin Jarvis.
10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.00 News Headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.10 Weather.
12.15 Close. Shipping Forecast.

ENGLAND VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 9.05-12.00 For Schools: 9.05 A service for Schools. 9.25 Secondary English. 9.40 Secondary English 11-14. 9.55 Movement and Drama 1. 10.15 News for Teachers. 10.35 In Your Own Time. 10.55 Something to Think About. 11.05 In the News. 11.30 Wavelength. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Living Language. 2.20 Advanced Studies: Geography. 2.40 Dance Workshop. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study on 4: Modern Biography (last of three programmes). 11.30-12.10 Open University: 11.30 Art and Environment. 11.50 Love in Shakespeare's England. 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: 2.30 Making Work (4). 12.50 YTS Briefing (4).

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Purcell's suite The Gordian Knot Untied; Krommer's Clarinet Concerto (Zahradnik/Prague Chamber Orchestra); Dvorak's Legend in D minor, Op 59 No 1; Ibert's Divertissement.† 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert: part two. Vivaldi's Violin Concerto Op 8 No 5 (La Tempesta) with Toso/I Solisti Veneti; Chopin's Ballade No 1 in G minor (Perlemuter); Lyapunov's Symphonic Poem: Zelazowa Wolya, Op 37; and Neilsen's Flute Concerto (Rampal/Sjaellands SO).† 9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Beethoven. Sextet in E flat Op 81b: Wonne der Wehmut Op 83 No 1 (Harper/Hamburger); Piano Sonata in C Op 53 (Waldstein) played by Ashkenazy.†
10.00 Walton: The LSO under Previn play the Symphony No 1.†
10.45 Medici String Quartet: Haydn's String Quartet in G minor, Op 74 No 3; and Mozart's String Quartet in G, K 387.†
11.45 Hallé Orchestra: with Peter Frankl (piano). Mozart's Piano Concerto No 23 and Prokofiev's Symphony No 5.† 1.00 News.
1.05 Manchester Summer Recital: Alexander Baillie (cello) and Kathryn Scott play Debussy's Sonata in D minor; Henze's Capriccio; and Chopin's Sonata.†
2.00 Die Kluge (The Clever Woman): Carl Orff's musical version of the Grimm fairy tale. Sung in German, with the Philharmonia Orchestra under Wolfgang Sawallisch and a cast including Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Gottlob Frick and Hermann Prey.†
3.20 For Piano and Wind: Mozart's Quintet for piano and wind in E flat, K 452 (Askenazy/London Wind Soloists); and Poulenc's Sextet for piano and wind (with Charles Wadsworth, piano).†
4.05 Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields: Bach's Concerto in D minor for two violins, BWV 1043 (Brown/Latcham, soloists); and Dvorak's Serenade in E, Op 22.† 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Fritz Spiegl's selections.†
6.30 Bandstand: Lewisham Concert Band play Walton's March for Concert Band; Robert Russell Bennett's Symphonic Songs; and B Walton O'Donnell's Three Humoresques.†
7.00 Prokofiev: Dmitri Alexeev plays Four Pieces: Op 32; Sarcasms, Op 17.†
7.30 BBC Welsh SO: with Susan Milan (flute), Caryl Thomas (harp) and John Scott (organ). Part one. Mozart's Serenade in C (Eine Kleine Nachtmusik); and his Concerto for flute and harp, K 299.†
8.25 Letter from South Africa. A talk by R D Kernohan, editor of the Church of Scotland magazine *Life and Work*, who recently visited the Republic.
8.45 Concert from Cardiff: part two. Mozart's Fantasia in F minor, K 608; and the Symphony No 40.†
9.30 Song Recital: with Brian Rayner Cook (baritone) and Roger Vignoles (piano); Gareth Roberts (tenor) and Nash Ensemble: Patricia Taylor (mezzo); Fiona Doble (soprano) and David Owen-Morris (piano). Works by Elizabeth Poston, Mary Plumstead, Percy Grainger, Roussel, and Roger Steptoe.†
10.10 Music in Our Time: Arditti Quartet play Jurtag's Quartet No 1; James Dillon's Quartet; and Elliott Carter's Quartet No 2.†
11.15 News. Until 11.18.

Medium frequency/medium wave: as above except: 10.45am-6.30pm Cricket: Second Test. Commentary on the first day of the Second Test between England and the West Indies at Lord's, including 1.05 Lunchtime News. 1.10 The Great Match – England v West Indies at Lord's 1950. 1.30-1.40 County Scoreboard. VHF only: Open University: 6.15-6.55am: 6.15 Subculture Consumption (The Mods). 6.35-6.55 Renaissance Decorative Arts. 11.20pm-12.00: 11.20 Modern Art: Berlin Dada. 11.40-12.00 Social Work with Older People.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Major bulletins: 7.00, 8.00am, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight. Headlines: 5.30, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (MF/MW).
4.00am Colin Berry.† 5.30 Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogan†incl 8.31 Racing Bulletin. 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.00pm Ken Bruce†incl 1.05 Sports Desk. 2.00 Wimbledon 84. Commentary on today's matches and reports from Lord's on the first day of the Second Cornhill Test Match. 7.00 John Dunn†(mf and vhf) including 7.30 Cricket Scores. 8.00 Wally Whyton with Country Concert and Country Club 10.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Roy Castle in Castle's Corner with John Inman and Charles Collingwood. 10.30 Star Sound Extra with Nick Jackson. 11.00 Brian Matthew with Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Patrick Lunt presents Nightride.† 3.00-4.00 Marching and Waltzing †

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and then 12.00 midnight (MF/MW).
6.00am Bruno Brookes. 7.00 Adrian John. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies, including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Richard Skinner. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.† VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00am With Radio 2 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford.† 3.30 Music All The Way.† 4.00 Paul Burnett. 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Nature Notebook. 6.40 The Farming World. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 7.30 Swinging Sixties 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 International Soccer Special 8.30 John Peel. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Beecham's Delius. 10.15 Wimbledon Report. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 Cricket. 11.30 Assignment. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Top Twenty. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 The Pleasure's Yours. 2.30 Cricket. 2.45 The World of Singing. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Wimbledon '84 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 A Jolly Good Show. 9.15 Wimbledon Report. 9.30 Business Matters. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 The Week in Wales. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Garrulous Ghosts. 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Ulster Newsletter 1.50 In the Meantime. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Zoo Walk. 2.30 Omnibus. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Business Matters. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.
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BBC 1 Wales: 1.22pm-1.25 News of Wales headlines. 4.18-4.20 News of Wales headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 11.45 News and Weather. Scotland: 1.20pm-1.25 The Scottish News. 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 11.45 News and Weather. Northern Ireland: 1.22pm-1.25 Northern Ireland News. 4.18-4.20 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scene Around Six. 11.45 News and Weather. England: 5.55pm Regional news magazine. 11.50 close.

S4C Starts 2.00 Cymru A'r Mor. 2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.35 Interval. 3.00 Coping. 3.25 Whose Town Is It Anyway? 3.55 Passage to Britain. 4.20 Countdown. 4.50 Bys A Bawd. 5.05 Sion Bili. 5.35 Wheels, Wings and Water. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Teulu-Ffon. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Teulu-Ffon. 8.00 Africa. 9.00 Coleg. 9.35 Llelsiau Lafia. 10.35 Dance on Four. 11.35 British Film Institute Awards. 11.55 Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 University Challenge. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 11.30 Newhart. 12.00 Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Animals in Action. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Quincy. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Norfolk Heritage. 11.00 Database. 11.30 Gangster Chronicles. 12.30am From This Day Forward, Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

ULSTER As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.30-4.00 It's a Vet's Life. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.10 Police Six. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Fall Guy. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Falcon Crest. 11.25 News, Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Happy Days. 3.00-3.30 Vintage Quiz. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.15-6.45 Gardens For All. 7.35 Hawaii Five-O. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.35 Bosum Buddies. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 An Canker Seth. 12.10am Postscript, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 1.20-1.30 News and Lookaround. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25-6.45 Northern Life. 7.35 Hardcastle and McCormick. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.32 Database. 11.00 Sweeney. 12.00 St Peter, Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Gambit. 3.00-4.00 Glasgow Open Golf. 5.10 Bodyline. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00-6.45 Scotland Today. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.35 EMI short. 11.00 Glasgow Golf. 11.45 Late Call. 11.50 Crann Tara. 12.20am Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Paint Along with Nancy. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30-2.00 About Britain. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.00 This is your right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-6.45 Granada Reports. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 11.30 Cities. 12.30 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London Except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Benson. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Police News. 10.35 Music From Castle Fraser. 11.05 Glasgow Golf. 11.50 Crann Tara. 12.20am News, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.00-2.30 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Take the High Road. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.30 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Englishman's Home: Chartwell. 11.15 Database. 11.45 Profiles in Rock. 12.15am Company, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Country Calendar. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.00 Calendar. 5.15-5.45 Happy days. 6.00 Calendar. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Newhart. 11.00 Database. 11.30 Session. 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 News. 6.20-6.45 Crossroads. 7.35 Hardcastle and McCormick. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 Scene '84. A special edition featuring Bristol's Kinkade brothers, makers of fine guitars. One of their customers is Frank Evans, the noted jazz guitarist. 11.00 Database. 11.30 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.30 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.20 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.00 Wales This Week.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Happy Days. 3.00-3.30 Writers on Writing. 5.15-5.45 Beverly Hillbillies*. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.25 Crossroads. 6.50 Flip Top. 7.00 Name That Tune. 7.30 Hawaii Five-O. 8.30-9.30 Airline 10.35 Bosom Buddies. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.25pm European Folk Tales. 12.40-1.00 Contact. 1.20 Father Murphy. 3.00-3.30 Take The High Road. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-6.45 News. 7.35 Magnum. 8.30-9.30 Airline. 10.30 ECO. 11.00 Database 11.30 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.35am Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN.
† Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

Entertainments

Titbits closes after 103 years

By Alan Hamilton

The death was disclosed yesterday of the founding father of modern popular journalism. The weekly magazine *Titbits*, in its hundred and third year of publication, has published its last issue, the unwilling victim of an industrial dispute between journalists and its proprietors, IPC Magazines.

Because of industrial action over a long-standing wage claim by the 1,600 editorial staff of the vast IPC magazine empire, *Titbits* has not appeared since its issue of June 9. A formal announcement of closure is expected today, with all the journal's 19 editorial staff being made redundant.

Founded in 1881 by George Newnes, a Lancashire cotton entrepreneur turned printer, the magazine's original masthead read *Titbits From All The Most Interesting Books, Periodicals and Newspapers In The World*, and on that devastatingly simple formula addressed to the newly literate working class, Newnes saw it grow into the first periodical, certainly in Britain and probably in the world, to sell a million copies per issue.

It was from Newnes that Alfred Harmsworth garnered all his ideas about popular journalism, translating them into the *Daily Mail* and earning immortality as Lord Northcliffe. Mr Paul Hopkins, the present and last editor, said yesterday: "*Titbits* taught today's popular newspaper editors everything they know."

The circulation in the early days was built on snippets, stunts, and irresistible offers to readers. Newnes undertook to pay £100 to the next-of-kin of any reader killed in a railway accident, provided the deceased had a copy of the paper on his person at the time. He pioneered the competiton with the big prize: first the *Titbits* villa, then the offer of a job on the paper.

Its traditional fare of man-bites-dog and elephants-on-roller-skates stories was interspersed with strong human-interest stories which would not have disgraced the front pages of the popular tabloids. Its last front-page lead story was a man who blinded his wife in a rage, but who was saved from a jail sentence by his wife announcing that she had forgiven him.

£1m thunderball destroys James Bond set





Real life thunderball: Smoke billows from the 007 stage as inside firemen hose down the wreakage.

A £1m fire has destroyed the film set where the Superman and James Bond films were made.

An explosion ripped through the set at Pinewood studios near Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire, minutes after nearly 200 actors and workers had left for lunch.

Flames leapt more than 100ft into the air and the clouds of smoke could be seen more than five miles away.

More than 100 firemen fought the blaze but there was nothing they could do to stop the corrugated steel building becoming a mass of twisted and buckled wreckage.

The studio said the stage, the biggest in the world and known as the 007 set because of its link with the Bond films, would cost more than £1m to rebuild.

Six people, including four firemen, were treated for burns, smoke inhalation and shock, but no one was seriously hurt.

The 007 set was being used to make a multi-million pound science fiction film called *Legends*. The film involves hundreds of spectacular special effects and gas cylinders were on the set, although the cause of the fire is not yet known.

Much of the scenery was made of polystyrene and wood and the blaze spread quickly.

Prop shifter Mr Barry Gibbs, aged 23, was one of the few people left inside the building when "suddenly there was a huge explosion. It was like a bomb going off" he said. "There was a blinding flash and everthing went up."

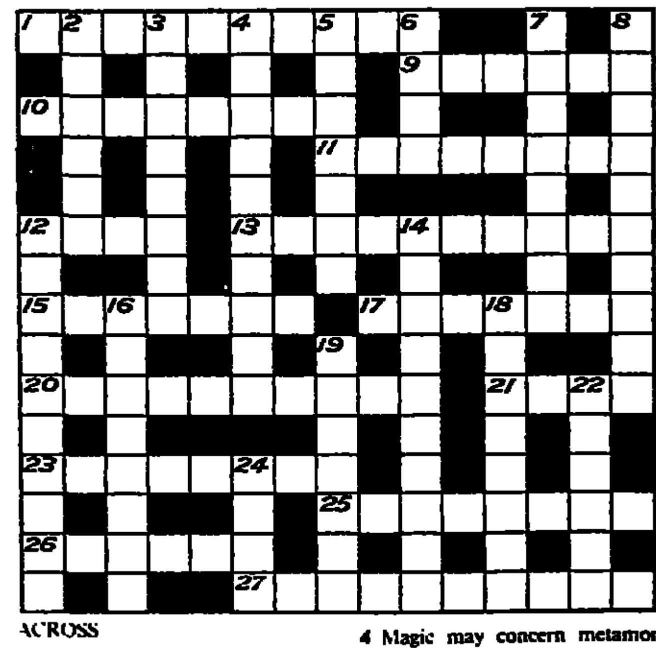
Hundreds of pigeons, a fox and a cow being used in the film were saved from the flames. Mrs Gladys Haywood, from the agents "Animal Action" said: "We bashed down the shed where they were kept and dragged their cages to safety through the smoke. None of them was hurt."

The actress who rescued the animals was overcome by fumes and was given oxygen, but she did not have to go to hospital.

It is understood that the filming of *Legends* was almost complete and the film is not likely to be delayed. But a new Bond film, *A View For A Kill*, was due to start shooting there in August and it will now have to be postponed or switched to another studio.

The 007 stage was built in the 1960s to cope with the Bond films' demand for an indoor set capable of holding the series' panoramic visual stunts. The 336ft x 139ft stage contained a 249ft long tank which was flooded to double as an underground submarine compound in one of the films.

It was first used on *Thunderball*, and then for the *Superman* series, it was turned into an exotic outer space location.



Fictional bond: the set in use.

Miners' march peaceful

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Some miners tried to storm the doors, and the march halted until a police chief inspector entered the building and had the poster taken down.

The march took two hours to go from Tower Hill to Jubilee Gardens beside County Hall, Westminster.

● No one turned up for a march through Canterbury, Kent yesterday in support of the miners organized by the South East Trades Council and the NUM.

● Journalists on *The Times* and *The Guardian* have protested to their union leaders over a letter in support of the miners printed by both newspapers, yesterday.

The father of the National Union of Journalists chapel at *The Times* asked the editor to publish a letter (page 13).

At *The Guardian* about 60 NUJ members, about a third of the chapel, signed a petition to hold an emergency meeting to condemn the chapel leadership for signing an amended form of the letter.

Steelmen defy Scargill, page 2

Thatcher blamed for defeat

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Central Office was a waste; that it would be better to choose a candidate more likely to appeal and "not necessary the brightest"; and that the party should have a non-MP chairman.

The report itself says the area association believed that "every seat shoud be considered marginal" because the Conservatives were going through a "bad patch", notably over teachers' pay and the abolition of metropolitan councils.

Canvassing also failed to highlight the differences between the Social Democratic Party stance and that of the Conservative Party. The seat was eventually won by the SDP candidate Mr Michael Hancok, who overturned a 12,000 Conservative majority.

Mrs Billings, the area chairman, yesterday declined to comment. "It was a private discussion, and I deplore the leaking of anything outside those four walls." Conservative Central Office denied any knowledge of the report's existence.

Times Portfolio £4,000 today

The dividend payable today in The Times Portfolio competion is £4,000. This is because no one claimed the £2,000 prize yesterday. That amount is thus added to today's £2,000. The required total of nine points yesterday was low because many shares went down on the Stock Exchange on Tuesday. This forced contestants to mark losses against some of their numbers.

On days when the market experiences a big decline this could result in the winning total being negative. This would mean that the winner had lost less than others, rather than making a bigger profit.

The weekly game, with a prize of £20,000 payable on Saturday, remains wide open. Some people who have built up impressive points totals to date could see them wiped out in the last couple of days before the cometition ends, if their Friday and Saturday shares fall sharply.

Even those who have only modest totals so far could move up dramatically, since the maximum theoretical total obtainable so far, which is 58, could be matched in a single day if the market goes into a dramatic rise, or particularly well performing shares appear in the Portfolio list on the final days of the week.

There is no reason to believe that any of the four people who have so far won prizes in the daily competiton are currently in lead for the weekly prize of £20,000. So far £4,000 has been won in the daily competiton, with a total of another £6,000 available today and tomorrow in addition to the big weekly prize.

Readers who have not yet obtained a Portfolio card should send a stamped addressed envelope to

The Times Porfolio,
PO Box 40,
Blackburn BB1 6AJ.

Todays Portfolio, page 16; how to play and rules, information service, below.

Sellafield man contaminated

A British Nuclear Fuels worker at Sellafield, in Cumbria, received a dangerous dose of radiation last week, it was revealed last night.

The man's overalls were contaminated

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother opens the Lord Gage Centre of the Guinness Trust in Newham, London, 3.30.

Princess Anne attends the commemoration celebrations of Wye College, Ashford, Kent, 10.55.

The Duke of Gloucester attends a luncheon to mark the twentieth anniversary of the Association of Building Component Manufacturers, Savoy Hotel, 12.45.

The Duchess of Kent opens the new check-in-hall at Manchester International Airport, 5; and later attends a Charity dinner in Manchester, 7.40.

New exhibitions

Grimethorpe Colliery: Real Fire, by Patrick Sutherland; Untitled Gallery, 173-175 Howard Rd, Sheffield; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.30 (ends July 21).

Music

Concert by the Wells Cathedral School Chamber Orchestra; Hereford Cathedral, 8.

Organ recital by Michael Emery; Manchester Cathedral, 1.05.

Piano recital by Olivia Teague; Liverpool Parish Church, Pier Head, 1.05.

Recital by the Balmoral Opera Group, Cheadle Hulme School, Cheshire, 7.30.

Talks, lectures

W D Thomas Memorial lecture on fine arts: by Dr John Hayes, Applied Science Building, Swansea University, 7.

A Day in the Life of an Egyptian, by K Hazell; Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers St, Edinburgh, 10.55.

General

The Northern Ireland Game and Country Fair; Clandeboye Estate, Bangor, co Down; 12 to 7, tomorrow 10.30 to 7, Sat 9.30 to 9.

Henley Royal Regatta, Henley-on-Thames, Oxford; races from 8am to 7.15pm; (to July 1).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,468

ACROSS

1 Honours overwhelm one who imitates a coxcomb (10).
9 Setting of a place on the motorway (6).
10 Where horses gather, and country frogs (8).
11 Admit there's half of them outside every municipal building (4,4).
12 In Paddington, perhaps, you have to suffer (4).
13 Commercial centre, with mail order (10).
15 Food for cattle in Switzerland (7).
17 Immerse girl in retrograde method of selling (7).
20 By the sound of it, you cut us off a tree! (10).
21 Instructed to lay down their heads (4).
23 It's disturbing, reading about a system of sewers (8).
25 Will almost sunk in drunken gloom (8).
26 Some gypsies take a nap (6).
27 Where to cough, of late (10).

DOWN

2 Brave father put up with pain (6).
3 Move ship around before fish dish appears (8).
4 Magic may concern metamorphoses (10).
5 Bill goes to the North gate (7).
6 Duck is second to gull (4).
7 Examine one trapped in strange animal place (8).
8 Impetuous, but on target? (4-6).
12 Odin's son has panache? Rubbish! (10).
14 Hole in one, with an old African (10).
16 Cancel my order for plant (8).
18 Villa is hard to electrify (8).
19 Eke out the porridge (7).
22 Decoration found in the right wall-covering perhaps (6).
24 Under a prohibition to mount horse (4).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,467

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 10

Wimbledon

Today's order of play (2 pm)
Centre Court: Miss Z Garrison (US) v Miss S V Wade (GB); M Wilander (Swe) v P Cash (Aus); Miss B Nagelson (US) v Mrs J M Lloyd (US); M Kratzmann (Aus) and S Youl (Aus) v S Edberg (Swe) and A Jarryd (Swe).
Court One: Miss K Lindqvist (Swe) v Miss H Mandlikova (Cz); J P McEnroe v R Harmon (US); C Dowdeswell (GB) and V Winitsky (US) v J Delatte (US) and J Kriek (US).

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on an Opposition motion on the widening gap between rich and poor.

Lords (3): Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill, committee, first day.

Anniversaries

Births: Henry VIII, reigned 1509-47, Greenwich, 1491; Peter Paul Rubens, Siegen, Germany, 1577; Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Geneva, 1712; Joseph Joachim, violinist, Kittsee, Austria-Hungary (Bratislava, Czechoslovakia), 1831; Luigi Pirandello, Agrigento, Sicily, 1867.

Deaths: James Madison, 4th president of the USA 1809-17, Montpelier, Port Conway, Virginia, 1836; Robert O'Hara Burke, explorer, Cooper's Creek, central Australia, 1861. Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were assassinated by Gavrilo Princip at Sarajevo, 1914.

Pollen forecast

	Pollen count	Peak times
Aberdeen	high	3 to 6 pm*
Basildon	high	3 to 6 pm*
Bath	high	3 to 6 pm
Belfast	high	3 to 6 pm
Bradford	high	6 pm to 9 pm
Brighton	med	noon to 3 pm
Carlisle	high	noon to 3 pm*
Darlington	med	noon to 3 pm*
Dudley	high	3 to 6 pm*
Edinburgh	high	6 to 9 pm
Exeter	high	6 to 9 pm
Glasgow	high	3 to 6 pm
Hull	high	6 to 9 pm
Isle of Wight	high	3 to 6 pm
Leeds	high	6 to 9 pm
Lincoln	high	6 to 9 pm
Maidstone	med	3 to 6 pm*
Norwich	high	3 to 6 pm*
Preston	low	3 to 6 pm
Rotherham	high	6 to 9 pm
Runcorn	med	3 to 6 pm*
Salford	high	3 to 6 pm*
Southampton	high	3 to 6 pm
Swansea	high	3 to 6 pm
Tewkesbury	high	3 to 9 pm*
Warwick	high	3 to 6 pm*

* except during rain

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New books – paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
Collected Stories, by V. S. Pritchett (Penguin, £4.45)
Grandmama of Europe, the Crowned Descendants of Queen Victoria, by Theo Aronson (John Murray, £6.95)
In The Mood, a novel by Keith Waterhouse (Black Swan, £2.95)
Lucien Leuwen, by Stendhal, introduction by Geoffrey Strickland, translated by H. D. R. Edwards (Boydell Press, £6.95)
Portrait of a Man with Red Hair, by Hugh Walpole (Boydell Press, £3.95)
The Athenian Constitution, by Aristotle, translated with introduction and notes by P. J. Rhodes (Penguin Classics, £2.50)
The Diaries of Evelyn Waugh, edited by Michael Davie (Penguin Lives & Letters, £5.95)
The Penguin Book of Greek Verse, introduced and edited by Constantine A. Trypanis (Penguin, £4.95)
The Penguin Guide to Medieval Europe, by Richard Barber (Penguin, £6.95)
Unbeaten Tracks in Japan, by Isabella Bird (Virago, £4.50)
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Roads

Midlands: M1: Contraflow between junction 25 and 26 (Nottingham). M5: Contraflow between junction 3 (Birmingham W and central Kidderminster) and junction 4 (Birmingham SW and Bromsgrove).

The North: M1: Lane closures between junctions 35 and 38. M62: Roadworks between junctions 14 and 15. Roads affected: M62 westbound to A580, M61 southbound slip to A580 and slip to M61 northbound. M6: Roadworks between junctions 20 and 21 Cheshire, right hand lane southbound carriageway closed.

Wales and West: A55: Contraflow at Llanddulais bypass. A40: Contraflow between Raglan and Monmouth at Mitchelroy. A548: Delays at Prestatyn.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.63	1.55
Austria Sch	27.60	26.00
Belgium Fr	80.00	76.00
Canada $	1.82	1.75
Denmark Kr	14.28	13.58
Finland Mkk	8.27	7.87
France Fr	11.88	11.38
Germany DM	3.89	3.70
Greece Dr	156.00	147.00
Hongkong $	11.00	10.40
Ireland Pt	1.28	1.22
Italy Lira	2390.00	2290.00
Japan Yen	334.00	318.00
Netherlands Gld	34.39	4.17
Norway Kr	11.14	10.64
Portugal Esc	198.00	191.00
South Africa Rd	2.17	2.03
Spain Pta	215.00	205.00
Sweden Kr	11.43	10.93
Switzerland Fr	3.28	3.09
USA $	1.40	1.35
Yugoslavia Dnr	186.00	176.00

Retail Price Index: 351.0.

London: The *FT* Index closed up 12.3 at 818.2.

Times Portfolio–rules

Times Portfolio rules are as follows:

1 Times Portfolio is free. Purchase of *The Times* is not a condition of taking part.

2 Times Portfolio list comprises a group of public companies whose shares are listed on The Stock Exchange and quoted in *The Times* Stock Exchange prices page. The companies comprising that list will change from day to day.

3 Times Portfolio "dividend" will be the figure in pence which represents the optimum movement in prices (i.e. largest increase, or lowest loss) of any combination of 8 of the 40 shares which, on any day, comprise *The Times* Portfolio list.

4 The daily dividend will be announced each day and the weekly dividend will be announced each Saturday in *The Times*.

5 Times Portfolio list and details of the daily or weekly dividend will also be available for inspection at the offices of *The Times*.

6 If the overall price movement of more than one combination of shares equals the dividend, the prize will be equally divided among the claimants holding those combinations of shares.

7 All claims are subject to scrutiny before payment. Any Times Portfolio card that is defaced, tampered with or incorrectly printed in any way will be declared void.

8 Employees of News International plc and its subsidiaries and of Europrint Group Limited (producers and distributors of the card) or members of their immediate families are not allowed to play Times Portfolio.

9 All participants will be subject to these Rules. All instructions on "how to play" and "how to claim" whether published in The Times or in Times Portfolio cards will be deemed to be part of these Rules.

10 In any dispute, The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

11 If for any reason The Times Prices Page is not published in the normal way Times Portfolio will be suspended for that day.

How to play – Daily Dividend

On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in *The Times Portfolio* list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.
In the column provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or –), in pence, as published in that day's *Times*.
After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or –).
Check your overall total against *The Times Portfolio* dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.
If your overall total matches *The Times Portfolio* dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to play – Weekly Dividend

Monday – Saturday record your daily *Portfolio* total.
Add these together to determine your weekly *Portfolio* total.
If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone *The Times Portfolio* claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches *The Times Portfolio* Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.
You must have your card with you when you telephone.
If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call *The Times Portfolio* claims line between the stipulated times.
No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.
The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.
● *Some Times Portfolio cards include minor misprints in the instructions on the reverse side. These cards are not invalidated.*

Weather forecast

S, W and central England, Wales and Northern Ireland will have sunny periods with isolated showers developing.

6am to midnight

London, SE, central N England, Channel Islands: sunny periods, isolated showers – wind northwest to north moderate to fresh. Near normal, max 19–21C (66-70F).

E Anglia, E, NE England: sunny intervals, showers, wind NW strong, max temp 18C (64F).

S, N Wales, NW England, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland: sunny periods, isolated showers, wind NW moderate to fresh, max temp 19C (66F).

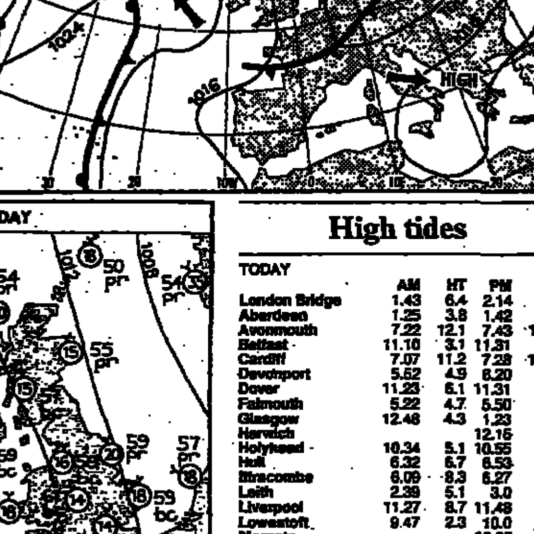
Lake District, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll: sunny periods, scattered showers, wind NW fresh locally strong, max temp 19C (66F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: rather cloudy, sunny intervals, showers, heavy at times, wind NW to N strong, max temp 14C (57F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: similar.

SEA PASSAGES: S-North Sea: wind NW fresh or strong, showers, visibility good, sea moderate or rough. **Straits of Dover, English Channel (E):** wind NW moderate or fresh mainly fair, visibility good, sea slight or moderate. **St George's Channel, Irish Sea:** wind NW fresh or strong mainly fair, visibility good, sea moderate or rough.

Sun rises: 4.46 am | Sun sets: 9.22 pm
Moon rises: 3.46 am | Moon sets: 9.16 pm
New Moon: tomorrow.



NOON TODAY

b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures fahrenheit.

Lighting-up time

London 9.52 pm to 4.16 am
Bristol 10.01 pm to 4.26 am
Edinburgh 10.33 pm to 4.0 am
Manchester 10.12 pm to 4.13 am
Penzance 10.06 pm to 4.45 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	15	59	Guernsey	s	18	64
Birmingham	c	20	68	Inverness	r	13	55
Blackpool	c	15	59	Jersey	s	21	70
Bristol	s	21	70	London	s	22	72
Cardiff	s	20	68	Manchester	c	15	59
Edinburgh	f	16	61	Newcastle	f	19	66
Glasgow	c	14	57	Ronaldsway	c	13	55

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 24C (75F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6 pm, 44 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 13.8hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1017.4 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

Highest and lowest

Highest day temp: Southampton, 25C (77F); lowest day max, Cape Wrath, 11C (52F). Highest rainfall: Lerwick, 0.35in. Highest sunshine: Eastbourne, Bognor, Torquay, Guernsey, 15.3hr

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	1.43	6.4	2.14	6.6
Aberdeen	1.25	3.8	1.42	3.9
Avonmouth	7.22	12.1	7.43	12.3
Belfast	11.10	3.1	11.31	3.3
Cardiff	7.07	11.2	7.28	11.4
Devonport	5.52	4.9	6.20	5.1
Dover	11.23	6.1	11.31	6.2
Falmouth	5.22	4.7	5.50	4.9
Glasgow	12.48	4.3	1.23	4.3
Harwich			12.16	3.8
Holyhead	10.34	5.1	10.55	5.3
Hull	6.32	6.7	6.53	6.8
Ilfracombe	6.09	8.3	6.27	8.6
Leith	2.39	5.1	3.0	5.2
Liverpool	11.27	8.7	11.48	8.9
Lowestoft	9.47	2.3	10.0	2.3
Margate			12.25	4.5
Milford Haven	6.22	6.4	6.42	6.6
Newquay	5.14	6.4	5.33	6.6
Oban	6.4	3.6	6.12	3.7
Penzance	4.52	4.9	5.18	5.2
Portland	7.01	1.8	7.35	2.0
Portsmouth	11.42	4.4	mdnt	4.5
Shoreham	11.27	5.7	11.45	5.9
Southampton	11.16	4.2	11.30	4.3
Swansea	6.27	8.7	6.47	9.0
Tees	3.46	5.0	4.05	5.0
Walton-on-Naze			12.02	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	9.6	–	21	70	Sunny
Bridlington	10.5	–	21	70	Sunny
Cromer	11.4	–	20	68	Sunny
Lowestoft	8.3	–	21	70	Sunny am
Clacton	12.9	–	23	73	Sunny
Margate		–	22	72	Sunny
Folkestone	14.4	–	24	75	Sunny
Hastings	14.7	–	22	72	Sunny
Eastbourne	15.3	–	21	70	Sunny
Brighton		–	20	68	Sunny
Worthing	15.0	–	21	70	Sunny
Littlehmptn	14.0	–	22	72	Sunny
Bognor R	15.3	–	22	72	Sunny
Southsea	14.7	–	25	77	Sunny
Shanklin	15.2	–	21	70	Sunny
Bournemth	15.1	–	24	75	Sunny
Poole	14.7	–	24	75	Sunny
Swanage	13.9	–	24	75	Sunny
Weymouth	13.4	–	24	75	Sunny
Exmouth	14.9	–	23	73	Sunny
Torquay	15.3	–	24	75	Sunny
Falmouth	11.6	–	20	68	Sunny

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Penzance	12.4	–	20	68	Sunny
Jersey	15.2	–	23	73	Sunny
Guernsey	15.3	–	20	68	Sunny
Scilly Isles	8.8	–	21	70	Sunny
Newquay	11.7	–	22	72	Sunny
Ilfracombe	8.5	–	18	64	Dull am
Tenby	8.2	–	21	70	Sunny
Southport	7.4	–	17	63	Bright pm
Morecambe	6.0	–	15	59	Cloudy
Douglas	6.3	–	15	59	Sunny pm
London (Ctrl)	13.9	–	24	75	Sunny
B'ham (Airpt)	8.6	–	21	70	Cloudy pm
Bristol (Ctrl)	14.5	–	22	72	Sunny
Cardiff (Ctrl)	13.4	–	21	70	Sunny
Anglesey	8.1	–	19	66	Bright
B'pool (Airpt)	6.0	–	16	61	Sunny pm
Manchester	5.5	–	17	63	Sunny pm
Nottingham	9.5	–	19	66	Sunny
N'ctl-o-Tyne	9.2	–	19	66	Sunny am
Wick	2.0	.02	14	57	Showers
Edinburgh	8.3	–	17	63	Sunny am
Aldergrove	4.7	–	17	63	Showers

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	24	75	Copenhgn	r	12	54	Majorca	s	26	79	Rio de Jan			
Akrotiri	s	26	79	Corfu	s	29	84	Malaga	s	24	75	Rome	s	27	81
Alexandria	c	27	81	Dallas				Malta	s	27	81	Salzburg	s	22	72
Algiers	s	25	77	Dublin	c	18	64	Melbourne	c	10	50	Sao Paulo		26	79
Amsterdam	c	16	61	Dubrovnik	s	26	79	Mexico C*	f	22	72	S Francisco			
Athens	s	28	82	Faro	c	21	70	Miami*	s	31	88	Santiago	s	10	50
Bahrain				Florence	s	30	86	Milan	s	26	79	Seoul	s	28	82
Barbados*	f	30	86	Frankfurt	s	23	73	Montreal				Singapore	f	29	84
Barcelona	s	25	77	Funchal	f	21	70	Moscow	f	19	66	Stockholm	c	16	61
Beirut	f	26	79	Geneva	s	24	75	Munich	s	20	68	Strasbourg	s	24	75
Belgrade	f	22	72	Gibraltar	s	22	72	Nairobi				Sydney	c	16	61
Berlin	f	19	66	Helsinki	c	14	57	Naples	r	27	81	Tangier			
Bermuda*	f	28	82	Hongkong	f	30	86	New Delhi	c	36	97	Tel Aviv	s	28	82
Biarritz	s	23	73	Innsbruck	s	24	75	New York*	f	24	75	Tenerife	s	26	79
Boulogne	s	17	63	Istanbul	f	24	75	Nice	s	24	75	Tokyo	c	22	72
Bordeaux	s	27	81	Jiddah	s	39	105	Oslo	c	13	56	Toronto*	s	19	66
Brussels	s	20	68	Jo'burg				Ottawa				Tunis			
Budapest	f	19	66	Karachi	c	31	88	Paris	s	24	75	Valencia	s	28	82
Buen Aires				Las Palmas	f	23	73	Peking	f	30	86	Vancouver*	r	15	59
Cairo	s	32	90	Lisbon	c	20	68	Perth	s	16	61	Venice	s	24	75
Cape Tn	s	25	77	Locarno	f	25	77	Prague	f	19	66	Vienna	f	21	70
C'blanca*	c	22	72	L Angeles*	s	21	70	Reykjavik	s	10	50	Warsaw	c	14	57
Chicago*	f	27	81	Luxembg	s	22	72	Rhodes	s	26	79	Washington*	s	27	81
Cologne	f	23	73	Madrid	c	28	82	Riyadh	s	41	106	Zurich	s	22	72

* denotes figures are latest available